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MORAN—November 18, 1929, at Jubbulpore, India, to Doreen (nee Harrison), wife of Captain S. E. F. Moran, the Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancashire), a daughter.

SMITH—December 1, 1929, at 29 Upper Mount street, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, 8 Haddington road, a daughter (Nuala Mary).

DEATHS

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

ACHESON—December 11, 1929, at her residence, "Culzean," Downshire road, Belfast, Mary, widow of the late Henry T. Acheson, of Croghan, Boyle. Funeral to Knockbreda Cemetery to-day (Friday) at 2.30 p.m.

CRASKE—December 7, 1929, at Rock Abbey, Cashel, County Tipperary, Matilda P. Craske, widow of Surgeon-General C. B. Craske, Madras Army (retired), aged 82 years.

HICKS—December 11, 1929, at Ant Even Nursing Home, Kilkenny, Charlotte Hicks, Ranelagh, dearly-beloved wife of James Hicks, 5 Lower Pembroke street. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family and a large circle of friends. R.I.P. Funeral to Glasnevin to-morrow (Saturday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, Church of the Holy Name, Beechwood avenue. English papers please copy.

MAHON—December 11, 1929, at Mountain View, Killester, County Dublin, Elizabeth, relict of the late George Mahon, late of Glendalough. Funeral private.

MILLER—December 10, 1929, at 16 Rathgar avenue, William T., loving husband of Georgina (nee Rainey), youngest son of the late Andrew Miller, Clonmulion, County Longford. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral (strictly private) to Mount Jerome.

NULTY—December 12, 1929, at 27 Lower Pembroke street, Dublin, James Nulty. Funeral from Westland Row Church, after 10.30 Mass, to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

OXLEY—December 10, 1929, at Belleek, Ballina, County Mayo, Frederic John Oxley, aged 51 years. Interment took place in Ardnaree Cemetery yesterday (Thursday).

SEIGNE—December 11, 1929, in London, after a short illness, Elizabeth Seigne, of St. Ann's Hill, County Cork, widow of the late John Thomas Seigne, M.V.O., of Grenane House, Thomastown, County Kilkenny. Funeral (private) at Blarney Church to-morrow (Saturday) morning at 11 o'clock.

TUKE—December 7, 1929, suddenly, in Cheltenham, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur William Tuke, I.M.S. (retired), of Stockwell, Cheevehill, youngest son of the late H. G. Tuke, Barrister-at-Law, aged 68.

TYNDALL—December 7, 1929, at Victoria Cottage Hospital, Barnet, of heart failure, John F. Tyndall, ex-D.I., R.I.C., aged 57.

WEBB—December 11, 1929, at his home, Cloncourse, Castle Park road, Sandycove, William Walpole Webb, late of Limerick, aged 78 years. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) morning, 10.30, Temple Hill, Blackrock.

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MOTOR NOTES AND NEWS.

Some Difficulties of Winter Driving : How to Deal with a Refractory Engine : Christmas Gifts for Motorists : Pointsmen's White Sleeves : Improving Acceleration.

During the present spell of abnormally cold, wet, and, for the most part, dismal weather, there are few things more annoying than an engine which is difficult to start in the morning. The cause in the big majority of cases is found in the imperfect functioning of the carburetter. In this bit of mechanism there are two jets—the main and the pilot, or slow-running, jet—through which the petrol passes into the engine. The slow-running jet is, as a rule, a very minute orifice, and, therefore, the smallest particle of grit, dirt, or even a small drop of water that finds its way from the carburetter into the slow-running jet, is sufficient to choke the supply of petrol.

This jet is used in starting, and if the flow of fuel passing through to the engine is unduly reduced the engine will fail to move. When this takes place the general, but mistaken, practice adopted is to open the throttle a little, which, instead of helping matters, makes things a great deal worse; for opening the throttle admits air through the main jet. Even with the air intake cut off by the strangler and the main jet opened full, an engine will be difficult to start if the pilot jet is not delivering its quantity of fuel.

Therefore, when an engine becomes unruly it will save time and temper to make certain that the small jet is free of any obstruction instead of using the battery and current in repeated efforts to make the engine go.

In all modern makes of carburetters the average owner-driver will have little difficulty after reference to the handbook in recognising and removing the small jet, and clearing any obstruction that may be found in it. Care must, however, be exercised that the methods adopted will not increase the size of the orifice, and the simplest and safest way to clear the jet is with a piece of wire off the seal of a petrol tin. The clearing of the jet will make the engine start much more easily. There are some owners who, in an attempt to make starting easier, change the position of the control lever and that of the ignition advance lever, but it is quite useless to attempt to improve starting by this means. The setting of the controls should be that which gave the best results during the summer months. The precaution of seeing that the strangler is kept closed only until the engine has started should never be overlooked. Otherwise if it is kept closed too long the cylinders will fill with liquid petrol, the only remedy for which is the removal of all plugs, so that the mixture will be weakened sufficiently to cause an explosion. If it does happen that the strangler is kept shut a little too long, release the strangler, open the throttle fairly wide, and the engine will then often start.

PLUG EXAMINATION.

How few motorists take the trouble of even looking at the plugs after a long summer season. Plugs which have worked satisfactorily in the summer atmosphere will not give that sufficiently strong spark which is needed in cold and wet weather. It will, therefore, save much labour and current if plugs are taken to pieces, examined and cleaned, and the points closed to bring them back to the state in which the engine will start more easily, as the preceding four or five months' use will have increased the gaps of most plugs. It would also well repay the owner-driver to test the spark of the magneto, the contact breaker points, and see if the valve guides should be badly worn, and so fail to admit enough extra air to make engine starting easy. A battery in good condition, clean electrical contacts and junction points are other important aids to comfort in winter driving.

IMPROVING ACCELERATION.

On the majority of small cars, excluding those fitted with automatic advance and retard ignition mechanism, top-gear acceleration can generally be improved by retarding the spark first before the accelerator pedal is pushed down. By this means a late spark is provided, which counteracts the rapid burning tendencies of the weakened fuel. Immediately after the accelerator is "stepped on" the driver should proceed to advance the spark, moving the lever gradually to the advance position, to suit the increasing engine speed. Synchronising the movement of the spark lever with the demands of the engine will result in greatly improved acceleration.

Forcing the speed up from a low rate in top-gear, small, high-efficiency engines causes liability to knock, the reason for which is that the engine is running at low speed on a small throttle, and the cylinders are, therefore, only partially filled. The gas is being mixed by the slow-running jet, and it is, therefore, richer and slower burning. When the accelerator is pressed down hard the cylinders fill up. The air flows into the cylinders before the vapour has a chance to explode, and the mixture is, therefore, weakened below that required, and knocking results.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MOTORISTS.

Christmas gifts for motorists make a very interesting and attractive display in the windows of Dublin dealers and distributors. They are of endless variety and of every price, so that those whose intention it is to make glad the heart of his or her motoring friend this Christmastide will have little difficulty in choosing an acceptable present. The range is very wide—from a good wrench to a car! Cosy rugs, foot-warmers, both for hot water and electricity; foot muffs, cigarette lighters, foot pumps, and fitted pic-nic baskets are but a few of the acceptable presents that caught my eye during the week. In many cases the prices were marked in plain figures, and it is hardly necessary to say what a decided help this is to potential gift-givers. Spot lights, inspection lamps, ashtray holders, safety heaters, frost preventive mixture are included in the displays now on view in the city.

POINTSMEN'S WHITE SLEEVES.

During the very bad nights of this week I had considerable difficulty in picking out some of the "pointsmen" at several of the control points about the city, because of the absence of white sleevelets. These indications are a great help to the motorist on dark, wet nights, particularly in the suburbs, where the street lighting is not as brilliant as that in the city, and it would be, therefore, very advisable that all pointsmen should wear these sleeves—or better still, a white oilskin.

A few nights ago because of the absence of this badge I failed to see the pointsman at one of the cross sections of Merrion road, whose signal was against me, until I was within a few yards of him.

A STRIKING POSTER.

"A Quick-starting Pair" is the title of a striking poster which has been exhibited on the Shell-Mex lorries in Dublin for the past couple of days. A pair of teal on the wing is the subject depicted. The colouring is wonderfully good, and the background in every way appropriate. The original is by the well-known Dublin commercial artist, Mr. Walter Till.

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A 1927 Model Austin Seven Chummy, like new, £75.—Breen's Garage, Donnybrook. 'Telephone: Ballsbridge, 113. 8 E

AUSTIN 12 tourer, only done 11,000 miles; perfect condition; £200; no bargaining.—D 1595, this office. 8 E

CITROEN 13/30 Saloon, 1929, done 5,000 only, two spare wheels, car like new, price £200, or nearest offer. Seen by appointment. Reply Waller, Blackberry Hill, Carrickmines. 11 F

FOR Sale, 14 h.p. Crossley Tourer, as new; any trial. Seen Crampton's Garage, Merrion row. 9 E

FOR Sale, 6 Cylinder 5 seater Rover Saloon, done 5,000 miles, bought June, 1929, sold as owner going away. Apply Little, Crickstown, Ashbourne, Meath. 9 E

FOR Sale, 10.15 h.p. Fiat Drop-head Coupe, in very good order; cheap to immediate purchaser.—D 1579, this office. 11 E

FOR Sale, Morris Cowley Traveller's Brougham (late 1927 model), recently overhauled, perfect order.—D 1582, this office. 11 F

FOR Sale, Cowley 1927 two-seater, 8,000 miles.—Ferndale, Garville avenue, Rathgar. 12 F

FOR Sale, 15/20 model, 507 Fiat, Landaulette, colour blue, chauffeur-driven, and at present in use; would make excellent city car; will take £225 on immediate sale. Owner buying larger Fiat. Address Z 1488, Landaulette," this office. 12 A

FOR Sale, Austin (1924) 5 seater Touring Car, in perfect order; any trial. £45. Address Z 1485, Car," this office. 12 F

FOR Sale, 1929 Clyno, 9 h.p., only three months in use; mileage under 800, 45 m.p.g.; perfect condition.—D 1629, this office. 12 B

FIAT 10/15 Saloon, leather, sliding glass windows. 'Phone 62133.—100 Lower Mount street. 11 F

LANDAULETTE, for Sale; suit private hire; excellent condition.—D 1435, this office. 9 E

MOTOR Hoods Recovered, Curtains, Celluloids Fitted.—Harris, Jones' Yard, South King street. 11 C

MORRIS Cowley Chummy Model, in really good mechanical condition and splendid tyres, for immediate sale.—D 1578, this office. 11 E

RENAULT Saloon, 9.15 h.p., perfect condition, £7,500 miles, genuine bargain, cost £235, sell £150.—D 1616, this office. 12 B

SWIFT 10 h.p. Saloon, May, 1928, bodywork as new, engine in perfect order; £170, or nearest. Ferguson, South King street. 10 F

SALOON Four Door, mileage 12,600, condition and appearance as new, £150 for immediate Sale, taxed and insured.—D 1528, this office. 10 F

SALOON Sandbacker Erskine, 1928, small mileage, perfect condition, cheap.—Apply Rathgiven Auto Service, Rathmines road. 10 F

MOTOR CARS CONTINUED.

TWO Studebaker Light Six Tourers, 1925, in perfect order; £80 or best offer; owner leaving the country. Address "Z 1495, Motor," this office.

WOLSELEY Two Seater, 11.28 h.p., 1927, first class appearance and mechanical condition, £100. Hockham, Ltd., 7 and 8 City quay. 11 A

14 H.P. Bean Saloon, tax paid, £45.—D 1580, this office. 11 F

1921 STANDARD two seater, £30; 1923 Morris Oxford Coupe, £40; 1926 Ford Tourer, £35.—Smithfield Motor Co., Ltd., Dublin. 'Phone, 21001-21002.

£225 OR near offer—Swift Two Seater, 9 h.p.; splendid running order.—Harcourt Garage, beside Standard Hotel. 12 B

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REQUIRED, before Christmas, Saloon or Coupe, up to 14 h.p., in really good condition.—D 1563, this office. 11 A

MOTOR CYCLES.

ADVANCES on Motor Bikes, Cars, Jewels.—Gorman, Pawnbroker, Winetavern street (opposite Four Courts), new garage.

NORTON 34 h.p. 1928 O.H.C., in perfect condition, £50; Norton Sports Sidecar Fabric, £12.—Hockham, Ltd., 7 and 8 City quay. 11 A

LORRIES, VANS, MOTOR AND STEAM HAULAGE.

CHEVROLET 4 Cyl. Lorry, bought late 1928, first class condition; price £120. Apply D 1602, this office. 12 F

FORD Motor Van (10 cwt.), 5 new tyres, recently overhauled, lighting and starting; £30 or nearest. Seen rear 16 Fairview avenue. 11 A

LEYLAND Lorry for disposal perfect condition, £100 cash. Address "Z 1430, Lorry," this office. 9 E

1925 LEYLAND 20 Seater Omnibus, in excellent order, taxed, tyres good.—D 1457, this office. 9 E

ACCESSORIES, TYRES, ETC.

CHEAPEST House for Motor Tyres; guaranteed makes at wholesale prices. Write for quote. Vulcanising a specialty. Secondhand Tyres cheap.—Roberts, Foley street, off Amiens street, Dublin. 'Phone, 45050. 16 T

FOR Sale, Motor Coat, lined Teddy Bear, as new; Foot Pump, Grease Gun.—175, Irish Times Branch Office, Dun Laoghaire. 10 F

GARAGE ACCOMMODATION AND REPAIRS.

ADJOINING Grafton street—Lock-up Garage or dry Store, to Let or Sell. Apply Corrigan and Co., 4 Stratton street. 9 F

LOCKED large Garage to Let at Lower Baggot street. Apply 69. 12 B

BICYCLES.

YOU were young once yourself. Remember the Kiddies at Christmas. What could be more useful than a Bicycle? I have a wonderful stock, prices from £2 4/6. Call and secure a genuine bargain. You can take delivery any time before Christmas.—Stevens, "The Cycle Provider," 8 Aston's quay, Dublin. B

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CHAUFFEUR, Protestant, single, life obtainer, 12 years' experience garage and private service, all types, very handy man, highest references. Address "Z 1461, Chauffeur," this office. 9 F

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EXPERIENCED Chauffeur, single, general all round man, 14 years' experience, good references, total abstainer. Address "Z 1485, Chauffeur," this office. 12 B

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EXPERIENCED Chauffeur, single, general all round man, all makes, private references, total abstainer. Address "Z 1465, Chauffeur," this office. 12 B

FURNITURE CONTINUED.

WANTED, Mother's Help, Co. Dublin, Protestant; good needlewoman; send copies references and photo and say salary required. Address "Z 1456, Help," this office. 11 F

WANTED, a Man, to take charge of a small Brush Factory in provincial town. Address, stating qualifications, age and terms, "Z 1471, Man," this office. 11 C

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

ADVANCES on Deeds, Shares, Endowment Policies, post-dated Cheques.—Wechman, 50 Drury street. T

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LOANS granted on moderate terms.—P. Tooley, 4 Fownes street, Dublin. 52 22

LOAN £200 Wanted for two years; 10 per cent. offered; no money lenders. Address "Z 1503, Loan," this office. 9 E

WORKING Partner required for established Business; capital £50.—Fullest particulars on application, D 1655, this office. 12 B

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HOTEL Cook required; experienced; must be well recommended, good wages. Send copies, D 1639, this office. 11 E

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EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A FIRST class Hotel Manageress, thoroughly experienced all departments; excellent long testimonials; any suitable position considered.—Matron, Irish Times. 10 A

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REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

OUTRIDE Representative required for large Furniture Stores in city; previous experience not essential; state age and experience.—D 1441, this office. 9 E

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WOOLLEN Traveller (Irish Woollen Mill) requires Representative for Free State towns; state journeys covered, salary required and terms (photograph commission).—D 1573, this office. 11 A

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PHARMACY Wanted to purchase, city or suburbs, going concern; good price given. Send particulars "Prescription," c/o Corrigan and Co., 4 Grafton street. 12 F

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ALL Professional and University Prelims, Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Gardiner's Row, Dublin. T

A GREAT Artist, the Boxer, El Dorado, by Georges Carpentier, in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence.

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RESIDENT Mistress required in Wesley College, General Work in Preparatory Form; state age, education experience, games, copies testimonials.—Rev. Dr. Irwin. 11 F

WANTED, fully certificated Teacher to start a Branch of Domestic Science, morning hours, Co. Dublin.—177, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 11 A

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WANTED, reliable Man, to train young setter; references, terms. Address "Z 1468, Man," this office.

WANTED, Yardman, Co. Dublin, dairy, good milker, indoor; state wages.—D 1552, this office. 11 E

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

WANTED, Working Gardener, Co. Waterford; married, no family preferred; wage 25/- weekly, with free house and perquisites; state age, copies of testimonials. Address "Z 1465, Gardener," this office. 11 A

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A MAN, married, seeks situation as Caretaker or Steward; highly recommended; security given if required. Address "Z 1441, Man," this office. 10 F

INDOOR Man Servant, good cook and housework; exit gentleman.—D 1430, this office. 9 E

WANTED, Situation, Groom-Gardener, Caretaker; with married couples, (R.C.), can be highly recommended. Wilkinstown, Corvalley, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan. 11 E

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GARDENER (Working), thoroughly experienced in all branches; can assist if required.—Brennan, Curragh Grange, Curragh. 12 F

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ALL well recommended unemployed should apply now, Matron, Irish Times, regarding good situations everywhere; placed immediately; experienced and untrained. 11 F

AT all times, vacancies for Cooks, Generals, House Parlourmaids, etc., city, town and country.—The Windsor Bureau, Edenderry. 12 F

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WANTED, respectable Daily Girl for small Flat; plain cooking, light washing.—630, Irish Times Branch Office, Bagot street Bridge.

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GOOD experienced Cook required, Co. Kildare; kitchenmaid kept; small dairy. Address "Z 1462, Cook," this office. 10 E

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

SUPERIOR General Cook, also a fully trained Kitchenmaid as Cook's Assistant (R.C.) Wanted for large college near Dublin. Apply, stating age, references and wages required, to Box A 4067, O'Kennedy-Brindley, Ltd., 53 Lower O'Connell street, Dublin.

WANTED immediately, for Allesbury road, young Cook or Cook General, R.C.; wages £36; three in family, 3 maids.—D 1465, this office. 9 E

WANTED, experienced Cook (General); good cooking and personal recommendations essential; good wages to suitable person. Apply by letter to Mrs. D. F. Browne, 1 Otoca terrace, Blackrock.

WANTED, good Cook (General); early riser; well recommended.—18 Vesey place, Kingstown. 11 F

WANTED, after Christmas, good Cook (General); house, unsupervised, kept, family two; no dairy; near country town, Offaly; £30; recommended. Address "Z 1481, Cook (General)," this office. 12 B

WANTED, experienced Cook Housekeeper for small family, Tunbridge Wells, England; wages £50-£55. Apply Holly House, Newtownpark avenue, Blackrock. 12 F

GENERALS WANTED.

A GOOD General Wanted immediately, or after Xmas.—108 St. Laurence road, Clontarf.

GENERAL Wanted, city; good plain cook; state age, wages, send copy references.—D 1443, this office. 9 E

GENERAL Wanted for London, three ladies; help given. Reply, giving all particulars, wages required, to Miss Keith Wright, 41 Gunterstone road, London, W 14.

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BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY

1.30-2.0 p.m.—Time Signal, Weather Forecast and Gramaphone Concert. **6.0**—Gramaphone Concert. **6.15**—Uair i d'Tir na n-og: "Bees, Birds and Butterflies," with Hilda Shea's Trio, Billy Coomber, and Lilian Brooks. **7.0**—Gramaphone Concert. **7.30**—Time Signal. **7.30**—Gardening Talk: G. O. Sherrard. **7.45**—Library Talk: J. J. O'Neill. **8.0**—Mary Maguire and Joseph Scholeld, Cello and Vocal Recital: Songs, Agni Sabato (Giordigiani); Belle Manon; Chassant dans nos forets (Wekerlin). 'Cello, Air Du (XVIII.) (Siecle) (Levenson); Musette (Offenbach); Serenade (Squire); "Drink to me only with thine eyes" (arr. Squire), Song, with 'cello, "Has sorrow thy young days shaded?" (Moore) (Scholeld). **8.30**—Mary Collins (soprano): Ouvre tes yeux bleus (Massenet); Elegie (Massenet); Villanelle. **8.40**—Station Orchestra: A Favourite Movement from Schubert (Del l'Acqua). **8.55**—Minerva Vocal Quartet: "Softly Dream" (Fischer); "Phyllis Dyes her Tresses Black" (Prendergast); "Evening Pastorale" (Shaw) **9.5**—Station Orchestra: A Movement from Schumann. **9.20**—Minerva Vocal Quartet: "Ye Banks and Braes" (arr. Anderson); "De Gospel Train" (arr. Burleigh); "Good Night" (D. Buck). **9.30**—Sydney D. Green (Piano): Invention in F (Bach); Echo from the Partita in B Minor (Bach); Rondo a Capriccio (Beethoven); Novelette in E (Schumann). **9.45**—Station Orchestra. **10.0**—J. C. Browner (bass). **10.10**—Lough Gill Traditional Trio. **10.30**—Time Signal, Weather Report and close down.

BELFAST (2BE)—242.3 Metres (1,238 Kc)

12.0—Organ Music, played by Herbert Westerby, relayed from the Grosvenor Hall: Celebrations—1927 (Wolstenholme), Variations on an Air by Schumann (D. Chipp), Polonaise in E Minor (Faulkes), Berceuse (Cradle Song) (Clifford Roberts), Alla Marcia ("Karelia" Suite) (Sibelius, arr. Fricker). **12.30-1.0**—Gramaphone Records. **2.30**—London Programme relayed from Daventry. **4.30**—Dance Music: Jan Ralfini's Regal Band, relayed from the Plaza, Belfast. **5.0**—May Sheppard (pianoforte): Chorale Prelude, "Sleepers Wake" (Bach, arr. Busoni), "Kraftig und Feurig (Mendelssohn), Minuet, Suite No. 1 (Bizet, arr. Rachmaninov); "Gavotte," "London Bridge," "Noel" (Balfon Gardiner). **5.15**—The Children's Hour. **6.0**—Miss Florence Irwin: "Household Talk—Christmas Cake, Plum Pudding, and Mince Pies." **6.15**—S.B. from London. **7.45**—A Ballad Concert: Lottie Miller (contralto), Hugh Mills (tenor), Albert Taylor (baritone), J. Leslie Kenny (piano, forte); Albert Taylor: "Beloved, it is Morn" (Florence Aylward), "Thoughts have Wings" (Liza Lehmann), "Devon, O Devon" (Stanford). **7.55**—Lottie Miller: "Annie Laurie" (arr. Liza Lehmann), "Yonder" (Herbert Oliver), "The Three Ravens" (arr. Randegger). **8.5**—J. Leslie Kenny: "Spinnlied" (Spinning Song), Op. 81 (Lilliefi), "Sylphe," Op. 62, No. 1 (Grieg). **8.15**—Hugh Mills: "Linden Lea" (Vaughan Williams), "The Ninepenny Fidil" (arr. Hughes), "I'm seventeen come Sunday" (arr. Cecil Sharp). **8.25**—Albert Taylor: "An Old Garden" (Temple), "The Rebel Song" (William Wallace). King Charles (Maude Valerie White). **8.35**—Lottie Miller: "A Song of Autumn," "The Shepherd's Song" (Elgar), "My dear Soul" (Sanderson). **8.43**—J. Leslie Kenny: "Nocturne in F Sharp," Op. 15, No. 2; "Berceuse" (Cradle Song), Op 57 (Chopin). **8.51**—Hugh Mills: "Then art risen, my Beloved" (Coleridge-Taylor), "Sigh no more" (Aitken), "Maiden of Morven" (arr. Lawson). **9.0-11.15**—S.B. from London.

LONDON (2LO) 356.3 Metres (842 Kc.) and DAVENTRY (5XX)—1,554.4 Metres (193 Kc.)

10.15 a.m.—The Daily Service. **10.30**—Weather Forecast. **10.45**—Mrs. E. M Stephenson: "Dishes for Children's Parties." **11.0-12.0**—Gramaphone Records. **12.0**—A Sonata Recital. **12.30**—Organ Music. **1.0-2.0**—A Recital of Gramaphone Records, by Christopher Stone. **2.30**—For the Schools. **4.30**—Light Music, from the May Fair Hotel. **5.15**—The Children's Hour. **6.0**—Mrs. L. K. Heal: "Sweets for the Christmas Holidays." **6.15**—Weather Forecast. **6.30**—Ministry of Agriculture Fortnightly Bulletin. **6.45**—The Foundations of Music: Music for Wind Instruments. **7.0**—Mr. Ralph Jordan: "Film Criticism." **7.25**—The Rev. M. R Ridley: "Poetry and the Ordinary Reader"—VI. **7.45**—Concert. **9.0**—Weather Forecast. **9.20**—Mr. Hugh Walpole and Mr. Gerald Gould: A Talk on Reading. **10.15**—"Love in Greenwich Village," being a modernised version of "Love in a Village." **11.15-12.0**—Dance Music.

DAVENTRY EXPERIMENTAL (5GB)—479.2 Metres (626 Kc.)

3.0—Organ Music, relayed from St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate. **4.0**—Dance Orchestra. **5.30**—The Children's Hour. **6.15**—Weather Forecast. **6.30**—Light Music. **8.0**—Three Quartet Scenes from Shakespeare. **9.0**—Vaudeville. **10.0**—Weather Forecast. **10.15-11.15**—Dance Music.

TO-MORROW

DUBLIN (2RN)—413 Metres.

1.30-2.0 p.m.—Time Signal, Weather Forecast and Gramaphone Concert. **2.15-4.0**—Relay of Running Commentary on the Rugby Match, Ulster v. Leinster, from Ravenhill Park, Belfast. **7.30**—Time Signal. **7.30**—Val Vousden (entertainer): **7.45**—Gaedhilig: Seamus O Duirinne. **8.0**—Students' Musical Union, relayed from Royal Irish Academy of Music. **8.30**—Crofton Repertory Co., Sketch, "The Maker of Dreams," a Fantasy in One Act, by Oliphant Down. Characters: Pierrot, Joseph Duffy; Pierrette, Josephine Fitzsimons; The Manufacturer, Henry O'Farrell. Scene, A Room in an Old Cottage. Time, Evening. **9.0**—Rhoda Coghill (piano): Papillons (Schumann). **9.15**—Augmented Station Orchestra: Ecenes Espagnoler (Mulder). **9.30**—Mme. A. Heffernan (soprano): "Under the Deodar" ("Country Girl") (Monckton); "Love at the Door," Waltz Song (Caryll); "Indian Love Call" ("Rose Marie") (Friml). **9.40**—Harry O'Donovan and Company: A Radio Revue (H. O'Donovan). **10.25**—Augmented Station Orchestra. **10.30**—Time Signal, Weather Forecast and close down.

CLAIM FOR PENSION PAYMENTS.

DALKEY'S FORMER TOWN CLERK.

The Dalkey Urban Council have received an application for the sum of £622 unpaid pension, on behalf of Mr. William Gahan, ex-Town Clerk of Dalkey.

Mr. John P. J. Smyth, solicitor, has written informing the Council that: "According to my instructions Mr. Gahan was Town Clerk to the Council on and previous to the 30th November, 1921. At that time he had eleven years' service as Town Clerk and held a pensionable office under the Council, for which in the circumstances then existing he was entitled to retire under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1919, and other Statutes. Mr. Gahan tendered his resignation to the Council on the 29th November, 1921, which accepted his resignation. In 1922 the Council granted him a pension of £101 per annum for life in accordance with the Statutes. The Local Government Board, with the sanction of the Provisional Government, confirmed the grant of the pension, and it was paid until August, 1923. Since then the Council has refused and neglected to pay same, although requested to do so, and Mr. Gahan claims £622 6s. 8d. and interest at 4 per cent. from August, 1923, until the present."

The matter is under the consideration of the Council

DUBLIN FACTORY FOR SALE.

AUCTION WITHOUT RESULT.

Messrs. W. D. and H. O. Wills's tobacco factory in Marrowbone lane, Dublin, was offered for sale in Messrs. Battersby's saleroom yesterday, when it was pointed out by the auctioneers that the owners had spent over £100,000 on the property, making considerable alterations and improvements, but were prepared to take much less than that figure. Judging from the representative attendance, interest in the sale was not lacking, but the bidding was considered insufficient, and the property was withdrawn. It will now be offered for sale by private treaty.

The town residence, 25 Northumberland road, attracted considerable bidding, and was eventually sold at a price close on £1,700.

INSURANCE COMBINATION.

A general meeting of the Irish People's Assurance Collecting Society was held at their chief offices, 51 Upper Sackville street, Dublin, to confirm, as a special resolution, the transfer of the engagements of the Society to the Munster and Leinster Assurance Company, Limited.

Mr. J. M. Doran, F.F.I., presided over a largely attended meeting of members, who voted unanimously for the resolution.

The Munster and Leinster Assurance Collecting Society also held a meeting at their chief offices, Hammam Buildings, Upper Sackville street, for the same purpose. Senator Kenny presided. This meeting was also unanimously in favour of the resolution.

The Munster and Leinster Assurance Company has been formed to take over the assets and engagements of both societies. The share capital of the company is £50,000, of which £20,000 has been deposited with the Accountant-General as security for the policy holders. Senator Kenny is Chairman of the new company, and Mr. T. MacGearailt, F.F.I., is the managing director. The new company has power to transact fire, motor, and general insurance.

FUNERAL OF CAPTAIN DAISH.

The funeral of Captain B. O. Daish, late Commodore of the City of Dublin Steampacket Company, took place yesterday from Ardeevin terrace, Dalkey, to Dean's Grange Cemetery.

The chief mourners were:—William A. Daish (son), W. V. Daish, A. G. Daish, A. O. Daish and Malachi Daish (grandsons); F. M. Dempsey and Barri B. Woakes (sons-in-law). Canon Greer, Killiney, officiated at the graveside, and there was a large attendance of general mourners.

The annual rate of mortality in England and Wales last week averaged 10.8 per thousand.

Books of the Week.

PEN AND BRUSH IN EASTERN LANDS.

SIR VALENTINE CHIROL'S LAST BOOK.

THOSE who believe that there is no real happiness for people who do not sketch will understand why Sir Valentine Chirol, well-known writer and amateur painter, named his book, "With Pen and Brush in Eastern Lands." The enormous pleasure he derived from his sketching is evident every time he has had occasion to mention it. His sudden death, which occurred shortly after the proofs of this volume had been corrected and passed for the Press, makes the short preface rather sad reading. Eight coloured and twenty-four monochrome reproductions are given of sketches made before the day when the West sought to bring the "unchanging East" into line with her own ideas of the manner in which travellers should be transported, lodged and amused.

Readers will agree that Sir Valentine Chirol did wisely, under the cedars of Lebanon, when he yielded to the persuasion of his friend, the artist, Tristram Ellis, and tried his hand at painting. The author's opinion that, "apart from such success as one may achieve in some particular sketch the mere attempt to reproduce what one sees impresses it as nothing else can on one's memory," will be warmly seconded by most modern painters.

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The frontispiece, a bright water-colour, of rather modern style, showing a main street in Peking destroyed by the Boxers, is an evidence surely of the value of the capacity to record impressions of things seen in more ways than one. When Sir Valentine Chirol says that his sketches recall not only the subject, but the circumstance, pleasant or unpleasant, in which they were executed, he gives the idea of being unaware of its being an experience which is common in the brotherhood of out-of-door painters.

The sketches made on these journeys in the East of fifty years ago stirred in him many exciting memories. Few would wish to experience such an interruption as he describes in his chapter, "Criss Cross Through Middle India." A swarm of wild bees flying low came straight for the spot at which he was sitting. A friend who, as he says himself, fortunately knew how to deal with the situation, threw himself face downward on the ground telling him to do likewise, and not to move if part of the swarm should light on them.

The remark which follows the description of this exciting sketching adventure is typical of the feeling for this side of his work, which is evident all through the book. He describes how, even in the face of this danger, he turned his sketch face to the ground and closed his paintbox before seeking cover. To review this collection of sketches, from an art critics point of view, would be unfair. To pass them over as mere illustrations to the letterpress of this famous traveller would be to lose much of that personal touch which his admirers complained was lacking in "Fifty Years in a Changing World," published a few years ago.

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It cannot have been an easy matter for one who had taken such a part in modern life and travel to step back so completely to earlier impressions. In some chapters even more than others he brings his readers with him into the out-way corners of the East. It was while following a rough and steep track in company with his friend, Lawrence Oliphant, while they were wandering in Syria, mounted on Syrian ponies, with a pack-mule for the luggage, that he discovered Mallula, which he describes as one of the most ancient villages in Syria.

Even the middle-aged folk there, he says, could not remember having seen a foreigner; but from the distant villages, he was informed by a priest, came many pilgrims on festival days, as Malula was the oldest of the Syriac speaking villages still left, and the people liked to hear the Gospel read in the language of Christ. The chapter headings themselves, to take a few at random, will turn the memories of the middle-aged to long-forgotten tales of adventure—"On the Fringe of the Arabian Desert," "The Malabar Coast," "Upper India and the Himalayas." The wisdom of those who regretted the absence of the personal touch in the volume to which the present is a sequel will be apparent to all readers.

H. H.

"With Pen and Brush in Eastern Lands." By Sir Valentine Chirol. London: Cape. 21/- net.

A BOOK FOR ANGLERS.

MAJOR ASHLEY DODD has been fortunate as a sportsman. As a schoolboy of sixteen, in one day he shot 148 head of game (including 50 brace of partridges and 10½ brace of grouse) and also landed six salmon, the three best weighing 62lb., and two white trout. As a grown man in less than a full day he and his wife, sharing one rod, accounted for 23 salmon; and when in the midst of the war he managed to steal a day's leave to renew his acquaintance with a stretch of the "Test," he finished the evening by inducing a trout of 11½lb. to take his dry fly and retain possession of it till netted.

Those are among the exploits which he recounts in this volume of discursive essays and sketches. It is a book which every angler will read with jealousy and interest. Next to catching fish oneself, nothing is so calculated to rouse the characteristic angler's mood of absorption and irritation as reading of another's feats. The book is full of hints on various methods of fishing. Of these many are controversial (the reviewer disagrees violently with the majority of the hints on fishing in loughs in so far as Irish loughs are concerned), but fishing is a sport of such numerous aspects, and its requirements vary so widely from stream to stream and lake to lake that a debt is owed to every angler who will take the trouble to codify his own experience whether the deductions he draws are right or wrong or have a truth limited only to particular circumstances.

Miss Barbara Greg's woodcuts, which ornament the chapter headings, are always vigorous and sometimes very good indeed.

"A Fisherman's Log." By Major G. L Ashley Dodd. London: Constable. 10/- net.

A BOOK OF WINTER SPORTS.

MENTION the words "winter sports" to a chance acquaintance and it is long odds that his mental reaction will be "Switzerland." Probably he will confine his mind picture to some small portion of Switzerland, a few Alps of the Bernese Oberland or the upland trough of the Engadine. In this book he will find justice done to his favourite resort, but will be reminded that the Alpine *massif* extends to Austria, France and Italy, and everywhere affords good ground for the skier, and that the Alps are not the only mountains in Europe. The Pyrenees are rapidly gaining popularity, and the Scandinavian backbone is the original home of winter sports. If our hypothetical listener is conservative he will adhere to his first love; but if, more adventurous, he contemplates fresh rinks and snowfields new, he had better seek aid and advice from Mr. Williams, who speaks from personal experience of winter sports in seven States of Europe.

The book is well illustrated, and is more than a mere guide-book, for it consists largely of the author's experiences in the different centres and conveys the atmosphere of the places, as well as the prices of railway tickets and hotel accommodation.

"Winter Sport in Europe." By Beckett Williams. London: Bell and Sons, Ltd. 7/6 net.

THE CHRISTIAN OUTLOOK.

REVIEWED BY OUR CHURCH OF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT.

THESE are days of continual probing and searching into the deep things of nature, and, as a result, many new discoveries in nature's method of working have been brought to light. In view of our increased knowledge of the laws of nature, older theories of the working of these laws have had to undergo some modification or enlargement, as the case may be. Nature and religion seem always to have stood in close juxtaposition in men's minds, and consequently anything which affects our ideas of the one is bound to have a reaction on the other. Many people are, therefore, beginning to wonder whether religion, with its proneness to adhere to older paths of thought and to retain as its expression the language of other days, can continue to impress its lessons on future generations. This does not necessarily mean that men are inclined to give up their belief in God or to deny that there is any meaning in life; for we may gather from speech and the printed word that they are still reflecting on God and on the meaning of the wonderful processes of creation which science and history are unfolding daily for them.

Many theologians are occupying themselves with the task of fitting the Faith into the framework of the new knowledge—or should one say fitting the new knowledge into the framework of the Faith? While these attempts have free circulation in the study, they suffer to a very great extent from the disability that they are couched in technical theological language, which is as a foreign tongue to the ordinary man.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF ARMAGH.

It is a fine and desirable thing that a scholar of Dr. D'Arcy's mental calibre should take such a subject in hand, and place his great gifts of thought and expression at the service of the general reader. One cannot but admire his firm and sure grasp of the results which have been attained in the many departments of the immense field of modern scientific research; no less admirable is his sense of fitness and application in which he displays the unerring instinct of the master-builder to pick out the right stone that is needed at the moment. The Creation, the Incarnation, Immortality, the Godhead, the Divine adventure, prayer and Sacraments—in all these he shows with lucidity and persuasiveness how the fundamentals of the Christian Faith and the findings of modern science are compatible with and complementary to each other.

One is tempted to make quotations illustrative of his wise common-sense, but space forbids, and one must suffice. In dealing with man and the world he offers a valuable reminder of the necessity of preserving a distinction between practical and theoretical science. He feels that emphasis is sometimes laid on the theoretical to such an extent that we are in danger of losing sight of the fact that practical science points us in a wholly different direction—to a world "in which physical forces are everywhere doing homage to the lordship of the spirit."

We cannot refrain from drawing attention to a passage on pp. 106, 107, which reaches a great height of literary beauty, as he gives the reader a striking glimpse of the effect wrought on his own mind by the doctrine of man's kinship with the universe.

"The Christian Outlook in the Modern World." By Charles F. D'Arcy, Archbishop of Armagh. London: Hodder and Stoughton. 6/- net.

A TROPICAL TAPESTRY.

TRAVEL books are diverse and numerous. Some are simply catalogues of scenery and points of interest and make very dry reading unless read as one tours the country described. Others contain undigested impressions of a hasty traveller, whose short holiday leads him to crowd as much as possible into a very short time. "A Tropical Tapestry" differs from these. It gives one the impression of a studied and leisurely period spent in glorious surroundings amid a most entertaining people and of a thorough understanding of the mind and customs of the people met on those travels. The author spent twelve years in the Malay Archipelago. His reminiscences and descriptions recall the interesting stories of Darkest Africa of many years back.

The restlessness characteristic of today is found there slowly growing as it is found now all over the world. The native loses his simple ways, old customs and manners as the white man's civilisation approaches. New and complex problems arise. Among these it is interesting to note that Holland experiences in her Eastern possessions troubles and perplexities similar to those that trouble us in India. In his preface the author says his book is merely a series of sketches. The descriptions of the beauty of the different parts of the country, with the stories of folk-lore and customs, are most entertaining and greatly increase our knowledge of a part of the world so many of us only know of as the Malay Archipelago. He has given us a charmingly descriptive work, worthily illustrated by Miss Dorothy Hope-Falkner.

"A Tropical Tapestry." By Hubert S. Banner. London: Thornton Butterworth. 12/6 net.

ANIMALS IN AFRICA.

LOVERS of wild life will welcome Cherry Kearton's new book giving an account of the animals whose habits he studied during his latest visit to Central Africa. The simplicity of the author's descriptive style, coupled with anecdotes of odd experiences and narrow escapes make attractive reading which is illustrated by nearly a hundred photographs of animals and their haunts. These are admirably selected from the film record of Mr. Kearton's expedition, and include some magnificent scenery with animal portrait studies, beautiful, menacing or humorous.

The introduction contains a plea for the proper protection of animal life, pointed by this revealing sentence. "It is a fact that during the war, in German East Africa, I had forcibly to restrain a party of officers from firing into a herd of giraffe with a Lewis gun!" Though Mr. Kearton pursues his prey armed with nothing more deadly than a camera, he is no fanatic. He does not quarrel with the man who shoots for the pot or in self-defence, or even with the serious-minded big-game hunter who hates indiscriminate killing; yet the whole book is a powerful protest against the inefficiency of the protection afforded to wild life and the widespread indifference which permits such a state of affairs to exist.

"In the Land of the Lion." By Cherry Kearton. London: Arrowsmith. 10/6 net.

MARGHERITA OF SAVOIA.—This life-story of the late Queen Mother of Italy, by Vahdah Jeanne Bordeux (Hutchinson, 12s. net.), covers a wonderful chapter in Italian history; for it tells of the *Risorgimento* and of the Royal Family's strained relations with the Papacy, of the Great War, and of the coming of Fascismo. We are told that the Queen Mother and Signor Mussolini were on terms of high mutual respect.

RECENT FICTION.

THE TALE OF THEBAW'S QUEEN.

WHAT this book lacks in balance it makes up in historical interest. Miss Tennyson Jesse, according to her preface—and, indeed, we believe her—has been at pains to familiarise herself with the conditions of the Court of Ava. Supaya-lat is drawn with wonderful skill, and the final scene of the Burmese Kingdom, when the childish, but vigorous, Queen throws herself on the ground of the courtyard in an agony of tears as she sees that her folly has brought ruin to her husband's kingdom, is a pathetic culmination of a well-told story.

Viewed as a novel, however, the work is patchy. The story of Fanny's rather dull activities and their repercussions on the Burmese Throne—if, indeed, it is historical, as Miss Tennyson Jesse alleges—fails to interest. Scarcely is Fanny even a Watson to Supaya-lat's Holmes. Nevertheless, the author has devoted the last section of the book almost exclusively to Fanny and her priggish friends. Yet, in spite of these shortcomings, "The Lacquer Lady" is an entrancing book; indeed, to all who are interested in Burmese affairs, it is something more. The political undercurrents of the time are set out, if not well, at least with accuracy; but the gem of the work is that part which deals with the tinsel Court of Supaya-lat. Here and there, as in her description of the death of King Mindoon, Miss Tennyson Jesse very nearly climbs Olympus. Everybody ought to read this book if only because the dull sections so easily can be skipped.

"The Lacquer Lady." By F. Tennyson Jesse. Heinemann. 7/6 net.

DOM MICHAEL GILLINGHAM, a young Benedictine monk, came to Woodriding to take duty while the parish priest was on sick leave. During the eight weeks of his stay he worked wonders in the parish. One of his chief helpers was Giovanna Da Vinci, a beautiful girl of Italian extraction, who was living with her aunt. "At nineteen Giovanna was a scholar, patriot, a woman with whom her father's friends had discussed their theories and their doubts." This marvellous young woman nursed the sick in the village and undertook the charge of a "House of Refuge for Crocks." Amongst the characters are a brother and sister who "buckjump" their high-powered racing car over bridges or sudden brief rises and drive miles to bathe in mid-winter. A grass-widow, under Father Michael's influence, gives up her lover, forgives her husband and adopts two village children.

"The Sword Blade of Michael." By Cicely Hallack. Sands. 6/- net.

TO readers who have no taste for the sensationalism of so many war novels, and to those who desire respite from it, this short story will be welcome, and not less for the grace and beauty of Mr. Basil Creighton's translation from the original German. The whistlers are three Germans shot in the throat who get their name from the sounds that come through a silver tube inserted below the wounds to furnish an air passage. They are joined by an enemy prisoner, Harry Flint, of the Gloucesters, and by another, but false, whistler whose cure and departure make a sadly humorous episode. It is a simple story told simply, naturally, quietly like a fairy tale, and its sincerity, gentleness and restraint give it a place unique in war fiction.

"The Whistlers' Room." By Paul Alverdes. Martin Secker. 5/- net.

"DR. HALLER laughed. . . . A swift movement of his hand swept off spectacles and moustache. 'My name is Joe Jenkins' " . . . . "He tore off his beard. 'Do you recognise me now?' 'Joe Jenkins!' 'At your service,' smiled the detective." There never yet was a detective in fiction who could assume more baffling disguises in such a short space of time—and with less reason. This American "sleuth-hound" bears distinct traces of German origin; but in his methods he is a more ingenuous Arsène Lupin. The sophisticated reader of detective stories may find these thirteen tales of adventures in Paris, Berlin, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Copenhagen and Oslo rather too naive.

"Joe Jenkins: Detective." By Paul Rosenhayn. Heinemann. 7/6 net.

AN IRISH NOVEL.—"The Call to Arms" is the title of a novel by Esther Graham, dealing with Irish history of the late nineteenth century, which Messrs. Browne and Nolan, Dublin, have published. (3s. 6d. net.)

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BRITISH INDIA.—The Cambridge History of India, edited by Mr. H. H. Dodwell, reaches its fifth volume in a book which deals with the period 1497-1858 (Cambridge University Press, 30s. net.). There is a valuable chapter by Mr. W. A. J. Archbold on Afghanistan, Russia and Persia; and Mr. G. E. Harvey writes on Burma. A second volume will bring the story of British India down to the present day.

BOOKS OF WONDERS.—Two curious volumes are "Enigmas," by R. T. Gould (Philip Allan, 12s. 6d. net.), and "Believe it or Not," by R. L. Ripley (Stanley Paul, 5s. net.). The former tells of Old Parr, of the last Alchemists and of the Canals of Mars. The author argues that Watling Island is the real spot first sighted in the New World by Columbus. In the latter scores of prodigies are recounted, such as the fact that there are 4,000 ways of spelling "Shakespeare."

THE HOUSE DESIRABLE.—This fine richly-illustrated book by Mr. P. A. Barron (Methuen, 18s. net.), expounds modern ideas in domestic architecture. The examples are from England, and show what has been achieved by great modern artists, working on olden models. Irish architects will find the book interesting, and persons who intend to build houses ought to consult it in company with an architect. Too long has the architectural renaissance delayed in reaching our country.

MORE BOOKS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

THIS year Messrs. Collins offer 100 prizes to readers of their "Children's Annual" in a cross-word competition. The large volume is beautifully illustrated in this, its fifteenth, issue, and among the contributors are Olive Chandler, Alice Massie and Katharine Tynan.

The same firm's "Boy Scouts' Annual" is sufficiently described by its title and the remark that the matter is worthy of the title. It is a volume that deserves the large circulation that it is certain to enjoy.

"Henry Heatherkin," by Oliver Bowen, is a story about a Goblin of the Moorland, recalling Lewis Carroll in its richness of invention.

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BRADDOCK'S BATTLE WITH THE FRENCH.

HIS LINK WITH CORK.

(By "F. W. G.")

IT was a far cry from the City of Cork to the backwoods of Northern America in the year 1775, when England and France were squabbling over their American colonies, and both countries were fencing for positions, although war had not yet been formally declared. Yet it was from Cork, on the 14th January of that year, that the 44th and 48th regiments of the British line, now known respectively as the 1st Battalion Essex Regiment and the 1st Battalion Northamptonshire Regiment sailed to strike an early blow at the French on the Ohio, which they had then lately invaded, having established a strong post called Fort Duquesne.

The regiments were each about five hundred strong on embarkation, and, no doubt, included many Cork lads in their ranks, some of whom, alas! were destined never to see their native city again. The story of the ill-fated expedition is one of the most interesting, as well as one of the most tragic episodes in British history.

Escorted by a couple of fifty-gun ships, commanded by the Hon. Captain Keppel, the expeditionary force reached Virginia without mishap, and was placed under the command of General Braddock, who had sailed with the troops. Braddock was one of what might be termed the Cumberland school of general officers. Indeed, he had been specially selected by the Duke himself for the coming task, and had soldiered under his very eye in the Coldstream Guards, of which he had formerly commanded a battalion. He had all the faults of his type, and was a stern martinet, rude and blustering. However—like his royal master—he was a very brave man. It is interesting to record that one of Braddock's *aides-de-camp* was Colonel George Washington, afterwards the national hero of the revolted colonies.

The expedition was planned to avenge the check suffered by Washington in the Ohio Valley in the preceding year. Braddock, who had been ordered to attack Niagara, was particularly warned against surprise and ambush.

THROUGH THE FOREST.

From the very first the British general was at loggerheads with the colonial authorities, who were not altogether blameless for the delaying of Braddock's thrust. He had asked for one hundred and fifty waggons to carry his transport, and was allotted fifteen, with which he was obliged to be satisfied. Colonel Washington brought him 450 men of the newly-raised Virginian Regiment, and his regular regiments were raised to seven hundred men each by enlistment during his enforced inactivity. With this force, supplemented by thirty sailors lent by Keppel, and ten cannon, he started out on the 10th June. Three hundred axe-men, under Sir John Sinclair, cleared the road.

Braddock appears to have taken every precaution against surprise on his march by throwing out scouts and flanking parties, although this is denied by some writers. Be that as it may, his force safely reached Little Meadows, the scene of Washington's reverse. Detaching a considerable number of his men as a guard, Braddock left his sick and his heavy baggage there, owing to the delay caused on his march, and with twelve hundred men he pushed on towards the French fort. At last, on the 8th July, he was within eight miles of his goal.

Braddock now set off with his whole force across difficult country, and forded the river Monongahela on two occasions. After crossing it for the second time, he committed his first mistake. He actually had the temerity to march his men in the full panoply of military splendour, with martial music and unfurled standards, in a forest which he must have known to be swarming with hostile Indians. Naturally his progress through the woods was known minutely to the French commander, Beaujeu, who, with one hundred regulars and eight hundred Indians and Canadians, was ready to ambush him there. They had intended to attack Braddock at the second ford, but, owing to delays caused by the Indians, this plan had not been feasible.

THE GREAT AMBUSCADE.

The clash, however, was not long in coming. An advanced party of Virginian scouts was fired on by the enemy. They retired upon the three hundred men commanded by Colonel Gage, who formed the advanced guard. Gage opened fire with his two cannon, and the Indians, who had a terror of artillery, began to scamper off, but the French troops were made of sterner stuff They met the advancing British, who were cheering lustily, with a deadly musketry fire from unseen positions. Men fell in scores from this assault of hidden adversaries, and the remainder began to waver and fall back in confusion.

Braddock now, instead of drawing out of the ambush and leaving the Virginians to cover his retreat, while he brought all his cannon into action, drew up the remainder of his troops and flung them into the fight. These men, getting mixed with the routed advance guard, became confused and lost their formation. The Virginians threw themselves into the battle in workmanlike manner, and sought to fight the ambuscaders in their own manner by taking advantage of every scrap of cover; and some of the regulars began to imitate their tactics.

To a soldier of Braddock's calibre this was unthinkable. He rode furiously among them, and actually beat the offenders with the flat of his sword, forcing them to stand in military formation under the murderous fire. Their regular volleys did little harm to the enemy—who, by the way, lost Beaujeu quite early in the fight—and, indeed, inflicted many casualities among the Virginians.

INDIAN BUTCHERY.

Braddock, whose personal bravery was indisputable, continued the useless fight for three hours. He had several horses shot under him before he was mortally wounded in the lungs. He demanded to be left where he fell, but he was hurried to the rear. The dying Commander still bore himself bravely. "We will know better next time," he said.

This was the last straw. The broken troops fled precipitately, and, if the hostile Indians had not delayed to butcher the wounded and to collect loot—all the baggage and cannon were lost—not a man of the British force would have escaped. As it was, less than five hundred men came out of the fight unharmed. Braddock's private papers were captured by the French, and the wounded General died on the retreat a few days later. He was buried in the forest, and the remainder of his army tramped over the grave lest his body should be dug up and mutilated by the Indians.

The shattered fragments retired to Fort Cumberland, and thence hurried to Philadelphia to prepare for a new campaign. The City of Pittsburg now stands in close proximity to that spot where men from two continents were locked in a deadly struggle one summer day nearly two hundred years ago.

A Dornier Libelle flying boat dived into the sea in Auckland Harbour yesterday, and the pilot, Captain D. E. Harkness, and the mechanic, Mr. C. F. Goldsboro, were killed. —(Reuter.)

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY.

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"Alec."

Sir Charles Stanford's Biographer.

There will be satisfaction in musical circles in Ireland that a native of Dublin, in Mr. Harry Plunket Greene, the well-known singer, has been chosen, with the approval of the Stanford family, to compile the official biography of the late Sir Charles Stanford, who himself had many close associations with Dublin.

Mr. Plunket Greene is the son of Mr. Richard J. Greene, barrister-at-law, and, on the maternal side, is related to the Plunket family, his mother being the Hon. Louisa Plunket, fourth daughter of the third Baron Plunket. Mr. Richard J. Greene, who was married in 1852, was the son of the Right Hon. R. W. Greene, Baron of the Exchequer in Ireland.

Mr. Plunket Greene was educated at Clifton College. He studied music under Mr. Arthur Barraclough in Dublin, and continued his musical training at Stuttgart, Florence and London. As a singer he became world-famous, and he held professorships at the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music.

He has wide literary gifts, and has previously published several books, including "Pilot and Other Stories," "Where the Bright Waters Meet," and "Interpretation in Song." He was an intimate friend of Sir Charles Stanford, and an excellent biography will, no doubt, be forthcoming.

The Pilgrims.

One of the great channels of good understanding between England and the United States of America is that club known as the Pilgrims. The title is at once reminiscent of those Pilgrim Fathers who brought England to America in the Mayflower, and symbolic of the aspirations which called it into being. I learn that its chairman, Lord Desborough, is being compelled by pressure of business to resign that post. He is in his seventh decade, and can look back upon a career of very varied activities. A keen cricketer, he played for Harrow, and later for Oxford in the University match. On the Cher he made himself a champion punter, and he has crossed the Channel in an eight, and in a racing skiff. Not only an oarsman, he is also a swimmer of note, twice traversing the Niagara. In America and India big game have fallen to his gun, and he has climbed considerably in the Swiss Alps. He combines a love of birds and men. In his desire to promote the general interests of the latter he has taken a prominent part in the movement out of which the present Chambers of Commerce system has sprung, and stood god-father to the Pilgrims. At this juncture his work as chairman of the Thames Conservatory Board, at the moment peculiarly heavy, is enough to absorb his energies. It is, perhaps, also part of his plan that the leadership of the club should be open to younger blood; but a suitable successor will not easily be found.

LORD DESBOROUGH.

The Death of "Alec."

For many years a familiar and much-loved figure in Belfast, "Alec" the gander, who was the friend of all, has passed away. He was run over and killed by a 'bus on Tuesday morning, and his death has plunged the residents of Cromac square, and the citizens of Belfast generally, in the deepest gloom. "Alec" was the favourite of the 'bus drivers at Cromac square, and no new 'bus ever entered the stand without first being inspected and approved of by him. He was a marvel at dodging traffic, and the constable on point duty at the square said he could not understand how he came to be caught napping. "Alec" was in the habit of waiting at the side of the street until the pointsman signalled him with a wave of his hand that all was clear. He would then confidently waddle his way across the street. The spectacle of a gander who obeyed traffic signals never failed to astonish visitors to the city. "Alec" was also the firm friend of the schoolchildren, who never forgot to save a portion of their lunch for their feathered chum.

A Relic of the Past.

Seeing a wash-cart in a dairy-yard the other day, I was reminded of the silent and almost unheeded revolution that has taken place in the methods of Dublin milk-production and distribution. Before the war those wash-carts were the most familiar sights in many of the Dublin streets; yet so completely have they faded from sight that they have also almost faded from memory. These gaily-coloured casks, mounted on wheels and drawn through the streets by a horse, are now seen only at rare intervals at one of our remaining distilleries.

Twenty years ago the streets leading to, and in the vicinity of, the Dublin distilleries might have shown on any morning some hundreds of these vehicles patiently awaiting their turn to get into the distillery for its supply of the "wash" that formed an important item in the feeding of the dairy cattle. The "wash" itself was the residue after the whiskey had been distilled, and it was fed to dairy cows in Dublin in large quantities. Nowadays so little is there available that few dairy-keepers trouble to endeavour to secure a supply.

The "dairy-boy" who tended these carts was something of a curiosity. He was a type apart, having nothing in common with workers in any other industry. He would sleep in the byres with the cows in winter, and in the fields with them when they were put to grass in summer; and he could be seen sleeping on his wash-cart near a distillery when the queues lined up for an all-night wait. After all that, he would probably deliver the milk to the customers. To-day, when milk is generally delivered in smart motor-vans, and served out in sealed bottles, there is no longer any work for that type of man.

Turf Fires.

The cold snap has put a premium upon the hearth. Everywhere people are clustering about the grateful blaze of the fire. Radiators and central heating arrangements are all very well, but there is a kind of dead heat about them, while the gas fire and the electric too patently avow their purpose as mechanical improved concerns. The live fire is essential, and, no doubt, there is a friendly flicker from the coal and sparkling brightness from logs. For those who have once met them in their own domain, however, the turf fires will never have a rival. The very scent of the turf smoke on the air speaks of the simple comforts of the home. You should select your turves, though; all are great, but some more than others. To me the heroic turf is the hard, black stuff that comes from the depths of the bank before the daubeen is reached; from it burns a slow, deep, certain heat—a white glow with a white ash. Some like the swift, red top-turves, with a beard on them like that on a cocoanut; but they pass too soon for the inner heat to come out in them. In the North, small bits of this turf—called by them, "fums"—are used to eke out what they swear by and call "mud," *tout court*. This is a moulded substance made of the black dust of turf; it is worked like clay, and figured into shapes with the hand, left to dry, and finally cut with the spade along the figured lines into fierce-burning blocks. Northerners hold this to be better fuel than any other. South or North, once one has shared the hospitality of a turf fire, it is easy to understand how the hearth has come to be the sacred centre round which a whole civilisation has been built.

The Almanac.

There are still many old Dublin firms which send yearly their almanac to their customers. I have seen some of them already; but a friend whose hobby is the collecting of old Irish almanacs tells me that the Christmas almanac, as we understand it to-day, has no comparison with the interesting publication of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, when it was a regular news bulletin. These almanacs were eagerly sought, and contained all kinds of curious information, epigrams and lampoons, mathematical questions, astrology, horoscopes, etc., and they are, indeed, records of the period. There are many rare old Irish almanacs in existence, and during the last century, I am told, they were readily purchased at auctions of important libraries.

The Oldest Irish Almanac.

One of the earliest almanacs printed in Ireland, and said to be one of the oldest almanacs now extant, was "A Prognostication for the Year of Our Lord 1666, together with an exact accompt of the principal Highways and Fairs in the Kingdom of Ireland,, by Michael Harward, Philomath. Dublin, printed by John Crook, Printer to the King's most excellent Majesty, and are to be sold by Samuel Dancer, Bookseller, in Castle-street, 1666." When Sir William Wilde was seeking any documents concerning Dean Swift, it was found that a family named Christie, who resided near Swords, possessed a pocket book of the Dean's, which the Rev. William Ormsby secured for Sir William Wilde. It was an interleaved copy of one of Harward's Almanacs, every leaf and portions of many of the others containing manuscripts in the Dean's handwriting. It is difficult to discover when the first Irish almanac was printed. An Irish history tells us that "an Irish almanac so early as the fifteenth century is stated to have been in the possession of General Vallancey." This has been contradicted.

Interruptors.

All music-lovers will approve, and all actors sympathise with the action of Sir Hamilton Harty when he stopped the performance of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" the other evening in Manchester, because the departure of members of the audience in mid-music interfered with the audition. It requires a deal of moral courage thus openly to rebuke the unthinking or ill-mannered; but the rest of the audience is sure to be in sympathy with it. Few things are more exasperating than to be prevented from hearing music, dialogue, or speech, by the noise made by early departers or late arrivers. As to the latter, it should not prove difficult for interested parties to arrive in good time; if the interest is insufficient to bring them to do so, they had best keep away altogether. Generally, convenient breaks are made in musical recitals, like the intervals in plays, during which the bored or hurried may make an exit without disturbing their fellows. I have noticed that the speakers and chairmen of public meetings are not always as considerate. The former are apt to prose on interminably, in spite of restlessness in the audience, and the latter sometimes omit to afford a few minutes' interval between the chief speech and general discussion. They have only themselves to blame if the proceedings are punctuated by the shuffling of egressive feet.

SIR H. HARTY.

Another Tennyson Story.

A correspondent writes:—The reference to Tennyson and the critics recalls a story of the poet, who on one occasion was the guest of honour at a gathering of distinguished men. A young sprig of the aristocracy was sitting close to Tennyson, and, feeling that he would like to take part in the conversation, addressed the poet thus: "My Tennyson, 'er, I passed your house this morning." The poet turned to the young man, and, gazing at him for a moment, replied: "Indeed, sir, then I thank you very much."

La Debacle.

Amid the prevalent orgy of war literature I have been surprised to notice that no mention has been made of the story which became, in some measure, the form model of one of the greater French war novelists, Henri Barbusse, and, through him, passed over the whole movement. I refer to Zola's "*La Débâcle.*" During the continuance of the war there was hardly a trench that had not its copy of this work, a stinging indictment of War Ministries, and a heart-searching exposition of the horror, misery and degradation that war produces. Yet our propagandists of peace seem to have left it in oblivion, and our literary critics have forgotten its artistic significance. It is curious to notice that both the great continental novelists, whose names are written large over the latter end of the nineteenth century, left among their major works an indictment of the war fever. Tolstoi's "War and Peace" stands face to face with Zola's volume. In the atmosphere of vilification which grew about the Frenchman's naturalism, it is too often unrealised that the publication of "*La Débâcle*" was an act of high courage in consideration of the then military pride of the Gallic cock. It was held in him as a traitor's act; and it bore fruit of a bitter kind on that later occasion when Zola made the magnificent gesture in the Dreyfus case with his letter to Faure, and was hounded from France, winning, however, from the world recognition as a true hero, who had struck a fearless blow for justice.

A Memorial Window.

The beautiful window, to be dedicated by the Bishop of Ossory on Sunday next, in Greystones Parish Church is the work of the Dublin artist, Mr. William F. MacBride, and has been executed at the studio of the Craft Workers, Harcourt street. The window, which is being erected to the memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. Vandeleur, is a subject taken from "The Pilgrim's Progress," and represents Hope helping Christian. The figures are rich in colour, with a striking background in deep blue, and above this is a representation of the Beautiful City, guarded by angels. It is a fine piece of work, and has been much admired in the studio.

MR. W. MACBRIDE.

Christmas Warmth.

I hear that the Dublin Branch of the Women's Section of the British Legion has given a large order for blankets to be distributed as quickly as possible to those who so willingly put on the trench coat, but have not even a trench coat to-day to keep out the cold. The Ladies' Committee are confident, however, that there will be sufficient funds to settle their accounts, and are looking forward to the spport of their friends at the dance and bridge tournament to be held at the Plaza on the 20th of the month. They have been able to secure, at very exceptional terms, a quantity of good blankets, so that no home of any ex-Service man will be without warm bedding when the Christmas season arrives.

The Mispronunciation Complex.

A recent issue of a well-known American review contained some surprising revelations. To judge from an article in that paper, it would appear that most Americans now suffer from an increasing fear that they do not pronounce certain words properly. Many books on the subject have recently been published over there, the writer said, one of them in particular having run into many editions, and being purchased eagerly by citizens of every part of America. "Thirty Thousand Words Mis-pronounced" is the discouraging title, and anyone who can face with equanimity the task of learning to pronounce differently, thirty thousand words of his own language certainly deserves success.

The writer of the article is inclined to think that wireless, or radio, broadcasters are responsible for this wave of self-consciousness that is sweeping over America; for people nowadays may hear words like "tomato" or "chivalrous" pronounced in quite a different way to the sound they have always given to them; and this, apparently, causes a good deal of worry. The English habit of ignoring the sound "wh," and so calling a whale a "wale," seems to prove especially disturbing to good Americans.

The Geminids.

The Geminid meteors form the most notable shower of this month, and are mostly in evidence during the second week in December. The radiant is situated between Castor and Pollux, the brightest stars in the constellation Gemini, and is visible early in the night in the eastern part of the sky. The Geminids are sometimes found very abundant near mid-December, and, owing to the altitude of the radiant, may be observed both shortly before and after midnight; but the most perfect shower of the month in the present year falls on the morning of the 13th, with the principal maximum about 4.20 a.m., though there is a maximum some hours earlier in the night of superior intensity. There is also a considerable meteoric display due on the evening and night of December 14, with maxima chiefly before midnight, but moonlight will greatly impede observations. The Geminids are not the only meteors that make their apearance on these occasions. Radiants in Ursa Major and Ursa Minor contribute their quota to the display. Among other meteor-showers of the month there is one on the morning of the 19th, with a maximum near sunrise, and another on the evening of the 23rd, with its principal maximum about 7.30. Meteors may be numerous also on the morning of the 29th, but the maximum falls near seven o'clock.

QUIDNUNC.

TERENURE COLLEGE UNION DANCE.

ENJOYABLE FUNCTION.

There was a very large attendance in the Metropole Ballroom, Dublin, last night, when the Terenure College Union held their sixth annual dance.

The function was very successful, over 500 people being present. The arrangements for the dance were in the capable hands of Mr. P. Duffy (Secretary of the Dance Committee), who did everything possible to make the entertainment enjoyable to all present. A thoroughly appreciated programme of music was provided by the Rogers-May Metropole Band. Among those present were:—Miss B. Cole, in rose satin, trimmed sequins, and Miss Jennie Cole, in floral taffeta, while Miss Jessie Cole had on a frock of white georgette. Miss O hUadhaigh wore a becoming gown of blue georgette; Miss Dunlop was in white moiré, and Miss Quilly had a smart frock of saxe blue satin. Miss Sheridan's frock was of green taffeta; Miss M. Vaughan appeared in a white and black sequined frock. Miss Leonard came in green, and Miss Hand was in yellow. A pretty pink beaded frock was worn by Miss G. Vaughan, while Miss E. Vaughan was in blue georgette. Miss Farrell wore black, and Miss M. Corcoran was in a becoming shade of red. Miss M. Cogan favoured black, Miss A. Geoghan green, and Miss Keogh had on white.

The attendance included:—Mr. R. J. Duggan and party, Mr. A. Cahill, Nolan and Miss M. Nolan, Mr. P. Cogan, Mr. David Vaughan, Mr. J. Corcoran, Mr. K. Vaughan, Mr. F. Lynch, Mr. M. Vaughan, Mr. H. P. Cassidy and party, Mr. A. Cahill, Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien, Mr. T. Cunniam, Mr. F. Cole, Mr. M. Kohane, Miss R. Sweeney, Mr. Seán O hUadhaigh (President), Mr. Donnellan, Mr. G. Fraser, L. Hicks, P. Duffy (Secretary, Dance Committee), Dr. R. May, Dr. A. Ryan, M. A. Cole (Secretary, Terenure College Union), J. Browner, Cecil Cullen (M.C.), G. Perry, M. Wallace, J. Kelly, Miss O'Reilly, Miss Willie O'Reilly, Mr. E. J. King, American Vice-Consul.

DUBLIN FRENCH SOCIETY.

Members and friends of the Dublin French Society met at an "At Home" on Wednesday afternoon at the Standard Hotel, Harcourt street. The occasion was the conclusion of the first part of the Society's session. The ordinary meetings of the Society, of which Sir Robert Tate, F.T.C.D., is President, are held at the High School, to the headmaster of which, Mr. John Bennett, a cordial vote of thanks was passed, for permitting the weekly meetings to be held at the school, and also for giving the Society the use of a room as library. At the "At Home," the stern rule which banishes English from the Society's meetings was somewhat relaxed—in favour of the guests, perhaps—and a pleasant reunion was made still more pleasant by the faultless rendering of a musical programme by Miss Petite O'Hara and Mrs. Boxwell.

Mr. Richard Hans Jone, otherwise known as Riccardo Secco, the well-known fasting man, who shortly before his death fasted for 65 days, left estate valued for probate at £444.

SYMPHONY CONCERT.

BROADCAST BY 2RN.

It was an excellent entertainment which was broadcast by wireless last night by the Symphony Orchestra, broadcasting from the Dublin Station (2RN). The programme was nicely varied, opening with Rossini's lively "La Boutique Fantasque," in which Mr. Vincent O'Brien, who conducted, secured some delightful contrasts. He gave a scholarly reading of Hamilton Harty's "Irish Symphony," making full use of the able wind instrumentalists provided by the Army School of Music. From the orchestral point of view, however, the most interesting item on the programme was Mr. Harold R. White's new composition, "The Opium Eater." A symphonic poem, it might more accurately be titled "The Opium Smoker."

It is interesting to follow the theme, with the soft seductive opening movement as the victim succumbs to the temptation. Then comes the slow development as his senses are affected by the drug, and he passes, not without a mental upheaval, into a dream world, in which he is first roused by wild exotic music, and then wafted through the soft strains of an old world waltz back to easy sleep, in which the composer leaves him. The subject has been capitally treated, and Mr. O'Brien got from his players a very descriptive rendering of the work, which should prove a popular contribution at future orchestral concerts. Respighini's "Fountains of Rome" was notable for the dainty effects secured by the strings, and Tschaikowski's 1812 Overture gave the orchestra an opportunity to display its vigour.

Miss Joan Burke was the vocalist, and in a group of Irish songs, and later a work by Elgar, she found ample scope for her contralto voice. Moffatt's arrangement of "The Silent Bird is hid in the Boughs" was sung with splendid understanding, and she also imparted a true traditional air to Hughes's arrangement of "The Dear Irish Boy." Miss Rhoda Coghill, in two Chopin studies—the Impromptu in A flat and the Polonaise in A flat, gave a glimpse of her wonderful technique and reading.

Generally, the reception on crystal and valve sets was good.

THE FEIS CEOIL.

INTERESTING CHANGES IN THE SYLLABUS.

The new Feis Ceoil syllabus, which appears to-day, contains some interesting features. In the choral section a new competition has been added for mixed choirs which have not hitherto obtained any prize at the Feis Ceoil.

The Rev. John Burke has given two additional cups for plainsong—one for male voice choirs, the other for school choirs—with the object of fostering the study of plainsong in these departments. The competitions in plainsong will be judged this year by Dom Alphege Shebbeare.

The competitions in the Irish language have been reorganised, and words and music will now be judged by the same adjudicator. A song with unison chorus, action song and school choir competition replace the former ensemble competitions; and competitors now choose their own pieces. The adjudicator in the vocal classes is Mr. Martin Freeman; the Irish instrumental classes will be judged by Mr. Arthur Darley.

Other changes of interest are the inclusion of a competition for bugle calls, the substitution in the solo sight singing of a song with accompaniment for the hitherto unaccompanied test, and a special prize for the best performance of Bach's double concerto.

The Committee have also decided to offer a special prize of free tuition for one year in the senior and middle pianoforte classes if, in the opinion of the adjudicator, a competitor—not necessarily a prize-winner—shows very special promise.

Dr. Bullock, Mr. Gordon Cleather and Mr. Rowsby Worl will adjudicate again this year; and Mr. Maurice D'Oisley, the well-known singer, and Mr. Claud Biggs, piano, will act for the first time as adjudicators at the Feis.

ETCHINGS AND MEZZOTINTS.

A DUBLIN EXHIBITION.

The collection of etchings and mezzotints exhibited at the Gallery, 26 South Anne street, Dublin, repays a visit. Mr. Waddington has shown enterprise in getting together a collection representative of the work of leading artists, past and present. Foremost amongst the etchings is one by Legros, dating about 1870. It is a fine example of the famous etcher's work. The subject is an old Spanish gentleman. Beneath it hangs another fine etching, "The Sailor's Infancy," by Freyen Perrin, who was a pupil of Legros. It is interesting to learn that the Legros on view has been sold to a Dublin connoisseur at the highest price ever paid for any work of this artist. Another striking work is the etching of a Spanish gentleman by Rajon.

The English school of fifty years ago is well represented by a woodland scene by Palmer. Of the modern school, there is a lovely pair of coloured etchings by Alphege Brewer, with Rheims Cathedral as the subject. The interior scene, in which the rose windows are shown, is specially attractive. Among the black and white etchings Mr. Brewer's skill is also seen in some artistic studies in Venice.

Dublin people are familiar with Mr. Louis Whirter's etchings of the city's better-known buildings—the Customs House, Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral. In this collection they will have an opportunity to procure etchings by Mr. Whirter of Durham Cathedral and Jedburgh Abbey, two well-known piles across the Channel. Miss Dorothy Wollard's work has won her a high reputation, and homely street scenes in Rouen, Abbeville and other places in France have provided her with material for excellent etchings. There are some characteristic open-air etchings by Jackson Simpson.

Well-known paintings by Raeburn, Millais and other old masters have been very successfully reproduced in mezzotints by such capable artists as A. S. Hester, J. Cother Webb, R. W. Stewart and others.

The exhibition is open daily until 7 p.m.

CLONGOWES UNION.

THE ANNUAL DINNER.

The 33rd. Annual Dinner of the Clongowes Union was held at the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, on Tuesday last, and was attended by a representative gathering of past pupils of Clongowes Wood College.

The toast of "The College" was proposed by the President of the Union (Mr. G. P. Cussen, District Justice), and was replied to by the Very Rev. George Roche, S.J. (Rector of the College).

The toast of "The Union" was proposed by Mr. Fitzgerald-Kenney (Minister for Justice); and that of "Our Guests" was proposed by Mr. H. Campbell, and replied to by Father Bourke and Mr. Craig.

DANCE AT BELFAST PLAZA.

The Marchioness of Londonderry received the guests yesterday evening in the Belfast Plaza at the dance held there on behalf of the Building Fund of the Unionist Headquarters. There was a large number present, several of the leading Ulster Unionists being in attendance and many of the ladies bringing parties.

Lady Londonderry was accompanied by her two daughters, Lady Margaret and Lady Helen Stewart, and amongst the guests were Lady Dixon, Lady Coates, Lady Bates, Lady Bangor, Lady Turner and Commander and Mrs. Oscar Henderson.

IN THE NORTHERN CAPITAL.

The Spirit of Independence : Back-benchers Becoming Impatient : The Silent Valley Ceremony : Enormous Difficulties Overcome : An Independent Unionist's Conundrum.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

THE spirit of independence is gradually asserting itself among the Unionists of the North, and opposition to the party leaders is becoming quite common. Even in Parliament it is finding expression, and the Chief Whip has to be on the alert. In the debate on the Roads Traffic Bill yesterday, the rejection of the measure was moved by Major McCormick because the Government refused to accept a clause providing for third-party risks insurance, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Crawford, who said that the Unionist members should be allowed to give expression to their opinions without being considered enemies of the cause simply for telling the truth. Of course the motion was defeated, but the incident shows that there is a good deal of dissatisfaction among the back benchers.

This was partly met by the statement made by Sir Dawson Bates, Minister of Home Affairs, who said that he agreed with the principle of third-party risks, and promised to adopt such a provision should the Imperial Government include it in the measure now being considered at Westminster. There was a good deal of talk in the lobbies about this little "break-away" from official authority, and the opponents of Sir Dawson had most of the sympathy, although not most of the votes, as all are more or less agreed on the need for protection of the victims of reckless drivers.

POLICY OF EQUALITY.

The programme for the session in the Belfast Parliament has been varied in order to fall into line with the proceedings at Westminster. In accordance with its policy of equality in social services with Great Britain, the Government has found it necessary to introduce an Unemployment Insurance Bill similar to that before the Imperial House, which proposes to give increased scales of benefit to the workless, as well as to bring into benefit young persons of sixteen years of age who are idle. It was thought that all business would have been concluded before the Christmas recess, but the long-drawn-out debates on the measure at Westminster have delayed matters.

In the expectation that the British measure will be placed on the Statute Book before Parliament rises for Christmas, it has been decided to adjourn the Northern House of Commons on Thursday next and to meet again in the middle of January, when a bill similar in all respects to the British measure will be introduced and passed. It is hardly likely that there will be any opposition to the proposals, and the adjourned session will, therefore, be a short one, as no other business will be brought forward. The solitary Socialist member is jubilant and is making himself very prominent. Yesterday he divided the House on a number of amendments, the voting being one against the rest.

SILENT VALLEY RESERVOIR.

Another stage has been entered upon in connection with the construction of the great reservoir in the Silent Valley of the Mourne Mountains. The ceremony of laying the foundation of the concrete core in the vast trench, from which will arise the dam or embankment to hold the waters, was performed yesterday by Mr. Robert Scott, Deputy Chairman of the Belfast and District Water Commissioners. It was an occasion of much importance, and sets a seal to the skill and resource of the eminent engineers, who have overcome difficulties which for some time were thought to be insuperable. The scheme was authorised as long ago as 1893, and the story of the undertaking from that time onwards is one in which romance, courage and determination are blended. It will be a long time before the work is finished, but when completed the reservoir will contain an enormous volume of water, and in extent will be more than two miles long.

All doubts regarding the ultimate success of the project have now vanished, and although the cost will be great, the benefits to future generations will be incalculable. As well as providing an unfailing supply to the City of Belfast, the Commissioners will be in a position to run pipes to towns and villages adjacent to the mains, and in this way add to their sources of revenue. All will join in congratulating the Board on its fine achievement.

AMUSING CONUNDRUM.

An interesting conundrum has been propounded by Mr. R. N. McNeill, the Independent Unionist member in the Northern House of Commons for Queen's University. He points out that eleven Unionists from the province are sent to Westminster to oppose the Socialist legislation of a Labour Government, while, at the same time, about forty Unionist members are returned to the Belfast Parliament to support the same socialistic measures when they come up for review in the local legislative assembly. It does seem ridiculous, and even Gilbertian in its flavour; but curious anomalies are certain to arise in pursuance of a step-by-step policy with Great Britain, and that apparently is the only policy that can be devised. Indeed, if the British measures were made applicable to Northern Ireland, there would be no need for an expensive local establishment at all.

This aspect of the question was referred to by Mr. McNeill, who said that the step-by-step policy in social legislation with Westminster was based on the unfounded assumption that economic conditions in Northern Ireland approximated to conditions which exist in England. This is not the case, however, as the Northern province is essentially agricultural, whereas Britain is a vast industrial workshop, each with a different outlook. Mr. McNeill remarked that this policy of imitation is devitalising, leading to a dualism in political thought and habit that is unprecedented in the history of any other community. Many people will agree with him.

TO IMPROVE THE COUNTRY.

An interesting address on town-planning was given last night by Mr. R. B. Donald, Belfast City Surveyor, at a meeting of engineers in the local Technical College. He said that in such schemes due regard must be paid to a city's industrial and commercial activities, as well as to its requirements as a residential area. One zone should be for industry and another for business and residences, roads and open spaces. It would also be necessary, he thought, to limit the number of houses to be built per acre, and to control elevations and other features essential to success. Referring to the bill to be submitted to the Northern Parliament, Mr. Donald expressed the hope that provision would be made for extending the powers to land already built upon, so that slum areas could be more effectively dealt with than under the existing law.

The growth of motor traffic was also discussed, stress being laid upon the necessity for wider roads, safe corners and freedom from congestion. People must have a sense of safety to go about their business, and under present conditions that is not possible when traffic tries to force its way through business streets of inadequate width. In Belfast the ever-growing volume of traffic constitutes a serious problem, and the Government is endeavouring to solve it by the measure which is at present going through Parliament.

IRISH DISTRESSED LADIES' FUND.

CHRISTMAS SALE OF WORK.

The annual Christmas sale in aid of the Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund was held yesterday afternoon in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin. There was a very fine display of work, cakes and flowers, and the stallholders had quite a busy time during the afternoon and evening in disposing of the many useful and artistic articles that were sent in for sale.

The Society, which has its dépôt at 20 Dawson street, Dublin, employs a great many ladies—who, through causes over which they had no control, have fallen into distressed circumstances—in making various articles of lingerie, clothing, etc. Work is sent out to them in different parts of the country, and when it has been completed it is returned to the dépôt and sold there throughout the year. In order to be able to give a little extra help at Christmas the annual sale is held.

The stalls were in charge of:—

Lingerie—Mrs. J. X. Murphy, Mrs. Branston Newman, Mrs. Lindsay Fitzpatrick, Hon. Mrs. Plunkett.

Flowers—Hon. Mrs. Brindsley Plunkett, Miss R. Brooke, Miss Ryan.

Fancy Goods—Lady Talbot de Malahide, Lady Brooke, Mrs. Dalgety, Miss Gaisford St. Lawrence, Miss Laidlaw, Mrs. C. Dickenson.

Handkerchiefs—Countess of Desart, Mrs. George Stewart, Mrs. Lentaigne.

Children's Clothes—Lady Gormanston, Lady HolmPatrick.

Cake Stall—Hon. Mrs. Preston, Lady Lambert.

Other helpers included Lady Moore (Chairman), Hon. Mrs. Guinness, Miss Blount, Lady Mary Corbally, Miss Bond, Mrs. Clarke (Marlay).

MANNEQUIN PARADE AND DANCE IN PLAZA.

In the Plaza Restaurant, Dublin, last night, Miss Muir Eve held a popular dinner dance, an added attraction during the evening being a mannequin parade. Special Paris models were exhibited in the parade, which included a selection of evening and day frocks, jumper suits and spring coats, from the houses of Lebonz, Worths, Charman, Germain le Compté, etc.

Evening frocks were principally composed of green, red, black and yellow-figured velvets, brocades and satins; while jumper suits in the new woven woollen tweeds, and spring coats in red, grey and prune will be most fashionable.

MUSIC AND WORSHIP.

LECTURE BY MR. F. C. J. SWANTON.

"Music as an Aid to Worship" was the title of a lecture given to the Church of Ireland Young Men's Christian Association, in Dawson street, Dublin, last evening, by Mr. F. C. J. Swanton.

The lecturer, at the outset, considered the meaning of the words "Music" and "Worship." The former, he said, was, as to its origin, clouded in mystery. The universe was bound up with it. Research had not yielded the secret of its origin. It was, however, inseparable from the origin of language, and it might be said that singing was highly beautiful speaking.

The lecturer alluded to the Old Testament, and its numerous proofs of music's important part, and noted that two evangelists out of four mentioned that at the institution of the Holy Communion "they sang an hymn." Since this the Church always had lavished her greatest care on the music of the Liturgy at the Communion Service.

Shakespeare's age produced glorious Church music, of a true kind to aid worship, and raise the soul to God. And the last hundred years has seen a considerable revival of true styles of Church music.

Ireland, however, never has had a School of Church Music. Her heritage of folk music gave a hope that one day it might have such a school; but no sign of it appeared now.

THE NEW CZECHO-SLOVAK GOVERNMENT.

During recent elections in Czecho-Slovakia Socialist parties were considerably strengthened, to the detriment of the Communists, who lost 181,000 votes. The old Government was composed of Conservative parties only, with the Socialists in the opposition. In the Government which has just been formed, owing to changed conditions, the Socialist parties had to be included.

The Parliamentary Government parties now consist of:

62 Agrarians,
60 Social Democrats,
32 National Socialists,
25 Clericals,
14 National Democrats,

that is, 206 deputies out of a total of 300 representatives. This has brought about the strongest Government majority since the existence of the Republic, and means a further step towards the politicial consolidation of the State.

The principle of close collaboration with minorities, particularly the German minority, which has two seats in the Executive Council, has not been abandoned.

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TEN SHILLINGS A WEEK.

NORTHERN BILL READ A THIRD TIME.

In the Northern House of Commons yesterday, on the third reading of the Widows, Orphans and Old Age Contributory Pensions Bill, Mr. J Beattie (Labour) objected to Clause 17 of the bill, which made the Ministry of Labour the final authority for the adjudication of disputed clauses. He said that he wished the Minister, and not the Ministry, to be the final authority, and declared that that was the position in Great Britain. He welcomed the bill, with the exception of this clause, but considered that the amount of the widow's pension, namely, 10s. per week, was not sufficient to enable widows to leave industry and return to their homes and look after their children. He urged that the pension should be increased to £1 per week, and this would enable vacancies to be created in industry that could be filled by young persons who were seeking employment. He also urged that the orphans' allowances should be increased. Mr. Beattie proceeding, declared that the Socialist Government, in introducing these extended pensions, was doing a wonderful work, and when the Socialists in Northern Ireland got control of the Government they would also improve the pensions.

Mr. Collins (Nationalist)—Step by step.

The Speaker—These interesting forcasts are all very well, but at the same time they are not contained in the bill and cannot be discussed

Mr. Grant (Unionist) denied that the empire would be actuated by political bias, and said that Mr. Beattie dare not say that in a non-privileged place. He was prepared to accept the bill, although it was not a perfect one, having been introduced in Britain by a Socialist Government; but when an amending bill was brought in by a Conservative Government it would be a better one

Mr. Gordon (Parliamentary Secretary), replying, said that under the bill the Minister could be arraigned in the House for any decision taken by any official.

In reply to an interjection by Mr. Beattie, the Parliamentary Secretary exclaimed—"It is not my fault that I cannot dig into the member's imagination or intelligence."

The third reading was agreed to without a division.

THE CHILDREN BILL.

A message was received from the Senate, conveying amendments to the Adoption of Children Bill, and these were moved by the Attorney-General.

Mr. Beattie said the first amendment was originally initiated in the House of Commons, but the Minister refused to accept it. The Government were now taking it from the other House, and against this he strongly protested.

The amendments were carried, and the House adjourned until Thursday, 19th December, when the business will be the bills before the Senate and the Royal assent to bills passed.

NORTHERN SENATE.

MOTOR BILL DISCUSSED.

In the Northern Senate, Viscount Charlemont moved the second reading of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Bill.

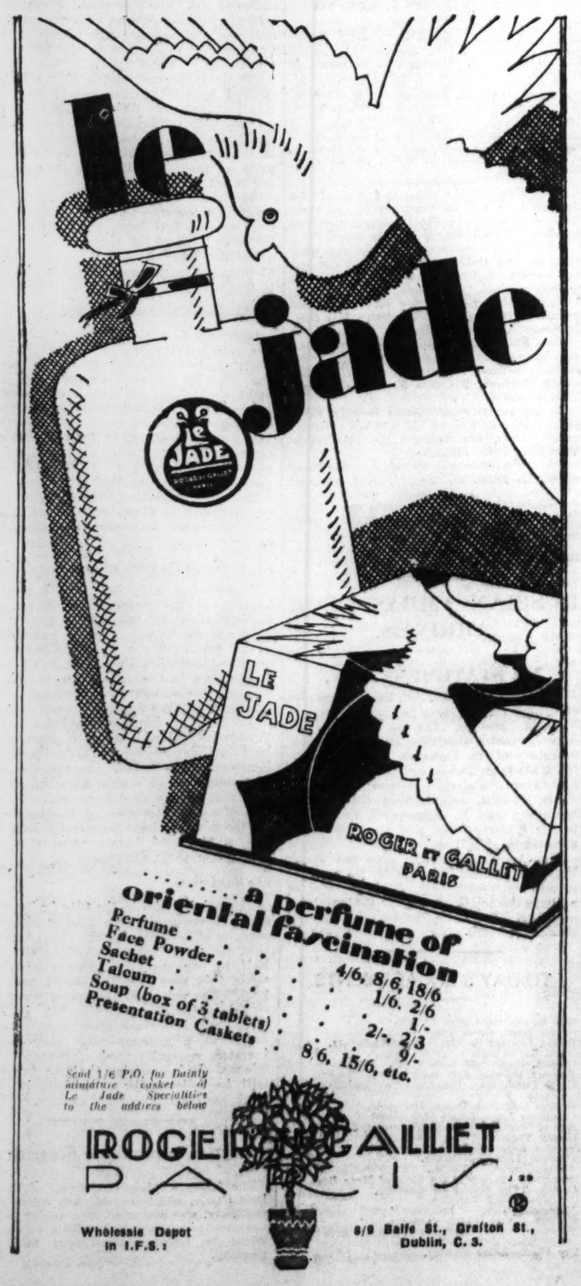
Mr. Campbell, K.C. (Nationalist) said that the speed limit had been abolished, and motor cars could now travel along the road at a speed of mail trains. He criticised the provision in the bill that enabled a jury which found a person not guilty of manslaughter who had killed a person with a motor car, to return a verdict of reckless driving. He did not think that a jury which found a man not guilty of manslaughter would find him guilty of reckless driving. The maximum penalty was fixed for this reckless driving at six months' imprisonment, which he regarded as inadequate. He strongly advocated compulsory third party insurance of motor cars.

Mr. Long supported the bill, and Mr. Leslie congratulated the Ministry in attempting to grapple with the difficulty that had arisen in regard to fatal accidents caused by motor cars.

The debate was adjourned, and the Senate adjourned until to-day.

THE LATE MRS. BRAZIL.

The death occurred on Tuesday last of Councillor Charlotte Brazil, niece of Mr. William Field, at Ui Braesil, Colimore road, Dalkey. Mrs. Brazil was a member of the Dalkey Urban Council since 1925, and was for many years a member of the Rathdown Board of Guardians. She took much interest in the poorer part of Dalkey's population, and was a member of various charity organisations and an ardent supporter of Cumann na nGaedheal.



IMPROVEMENTS IN COMPANY LAW.

LEGISLATION WANTED FOR IRELAND.

An interesting lecture on past and present company law was delivered at a meeting of the Dublin Incorporated Accountants' Students' Society at Jury's Hotel, Dublin, last night, by Mr. Robert Bell, F.S.A.A. (Belfast). Mr. R. J. Kidney, F.S.A.A., presided.

Mr. Bell, in his lecture, which was entitled "The Abuses of Limited Liability in Company Flotation," said that the Companies Act of 1862 had been described as the Magna Charta of co-operative enterprise, and it was under that Act, as amended and extended, that limited companies functioned to-day. The various Companies Acts were consolidated in 1908, and until November 1st of this year all joint stock enterprises in Great Britain and Ireland were governed by the Act of 1908. On November 1st, however, the new Companies Act came into force as regards England and Scotland, but the Irish Free State and Northern Ireland were still observing the Act of 1908.

While legislation would not save a fool from the effects of his folly, nor honesty be obtained by legislation, it was regrettable that the astounding apathy of shareholders in regard to the conduct of companies in which they were interested gave such an opportunity to dishonest persons. Dealing with various improvements brought about by the English Act of 1929, Mr. Bell said that under the Act of 1908 an undischarged bankrupt, prohibited by law from trading on his own account, might be a director of a limited company. This was remedied in Britain by the 1929 Act, but still existed in Ireland. An undischarged bankrupt in England acting as a director exposed himself under the 1929 Act to imprisonment or a fine unless he obtained the sanction of the Bankruptcy Court.

Provision was also made for the disclosure of directors' fees in the company's accounts; but abuses in connection with remuneration, as distinct from fees, were by no means prevented by the Act. Perhaps one of the greatest abuses of limited liability lay in the fact that the 1908 Act contains no provisions requiring a company to keep accounts. It was only by implication and vague generalisations that accounts were required at all. The 1929 Act corrected this anomaly; but opinions differed as to whether it required the keeping of elaborate cost accounts. The ease with which directors can be interested parties in contracts with their companies was another flaw remedied by the Act of 1929. Under the 1929 Act loans to directors, even if repaid, are to be shown in accounts, and loans for the purchase of shares are prohibited.

BALANCE SHEETS.

Having quoted various instances and types of fraud in connection with the auditing of accounts and the furnishing of balance sheets, Mr. Bell said that, so far as we in this country were concerned, abuses in the presentation of balance sheets would continue, but the 1929 Act thoroughly overhauled the law relating to balance sheets, and should go far to correct abuses.

Concluding, Mr. Bell said that, even in the 1929 Act, they had not got to the end of company legislation; but there was no doubt that the Act tightened up the responsibilities of directors and imposed liability on other officers, notably auditors and secretaries.

A CHRISTMAS SALE.

DUBLIN INSTITUTION COMMENDED.

Christmas "shopping" was in full swing yesterday afternoon at the sale held in the Molesworth Hall, Dublin, in aid of the All Saints' Home for Girls, Sandymount. It was advertised as a Christmas sale, and certainly there were numerous articles displayed that could be classed as seasonable gifts. A good trade was done, and at the close of the day the stalls presented a bare appearance.

The sale was opened by Bishop Plunket, who referred to the history of the home and to the splendid work which it had done. It was nearly fifty years, he said, since a friend of his and, he was sure, of a great many of those present, Canon Hogan with Father Maturin, started the home in Grangegorman. Thirteen years ago it was no longer possible for the Parish of Grangegorman to carry on the work, and the Sisters of the Community of St. John the Evangelist undertook the task of caring for the little children. He took that opportunity of complimenting the ladies of Sandymount on the results of their work.

The stall-holders were as follows:—Toy Stall, Mrs. O'Brien; White Elephant Stall, Miss Walshe; Art and Needlework Stall, Mrs. Butler Kearney and Mrs. Godfrey (sec.); China and Basket Stall, Mrs. Clark and Miss Bovell; Handkerchief Stall, the Misses Wilkinson and Miss Jarrett; Cake Stall, Mrs. French and Mrs. Crozier; Sweet Stall, Mrs. Woodward and Miss O'Grady; Country Produce Stall, Mrs. Harpur and Miss Manders; Tea, Mrs. Musters and Miss R. Sherlock.

YESTERDAY IN THE

TEMPORARY JUDGES AND POLITICS.

DRAG-HUNTS OVER FARM LAND.

THE PROTECTION OF WILD BIRDS.

The Chairman, Mr. T. W. Bennett, took the chair in the Irish Free State Senate yesterday at 3 p.m.

On the motion for the second reading of the Courts of Justice Bill,

Mr. FITZGERALD-KENNEY, Minister for Justice, explained that the bill was necessary, in order to enable temporary circuit judges to be appointed when the occasion for it arose.

Mr. COMYN protested against the appointment of temporary judges. Experience, he said, had taught them that judges must be independent of the Executive, and they could not be independent if their appointment were only temporary. In these circumstances, if a judge were appointed only for such a period as the Minister should think fit, and if he should happen to displease the Minister, he could be dismissed. It might be desirable at times to appoint gentlemen with legal training as Chairmen of Commissions appointed by the Government; but it was not desirable that persons filling judicial positions should too frequently be placed in positions where they would get into the whirl of politics.

Mr. S. L. BROWN said that judges ought not be taken from the Bench and employed as Chairmen or members of Commissions They were, of course, eminently suited to preside over Commissions; they suited the job, but the job did not suit them.

Mr. O'FARRELL said that he thought it was time those temporary measures were dispensed with, and sufficient permanent appointments made to deal with the business of the Courts, which was very much in arrear and causing great inconvenience to litigants.

Mr. FitzGERALD-KENNEY said that there was nothing in the bill to interfere with the independence of judges. It was only a temporary measure, introduced to get over such times as must elapse before the report of the Committee of the Dail and Senate was presented, and then the recommendations of the Committee would be embodied in law.

On a division the motion for the second reading was carried by 36 votes to 5.

GAME PRESERVATION BILL.

EFFORT TO LIMIT HUNTING AREAS.

On the Committee stage of the Game Preservation Bill, 1929.

Mr. LINEHAN moved an amendment seeking to make it unlawful for the Master or owner of a pack of hounds, harriers or beagles, or for the owner of a harrier, or beagle hound to permit such pack or hound, either in the pursuit of game or for drag-hunting during the annual close season for hares to go over any land frequented by game.

Miss BROWN expressed the opinion that the amendment, if passed, would seriously interfere with hunting. So far as she knew no farmer objected to the hunt going over his land. Those taking part in a hunt were generally careful and little damage was done to land.

The Earl of GRANARD said that the amendment would seriously affect the horse-breeding industry and would curtail hunting by a month or six weeks. The month of March was one of the best hunting months of the season. Generally speaking, very little damage was done by the hunts to the land or to the crops growing thereon.

Dr. GOGARTY hoped that the discussion on the amendment would not give rise to further misrepresentation about the difficulties of sport in this country.

CORNFIELDS AND MEADOWS.

Mr. COMYN said that, while he was not in the least opposed to hunting and sport, it was very wrong for a hunt to pass over a cornfield or a meadow.

Sir EDWARD BELLINGHAM did not see any necessity for the amendment.

Mr. BAGWELL said that, while he agreed that it was very undesirable for a drag hunt to go over a cornfield, there was a great deal more in the amendment than that. He could not believe that drag hunts would wilfully go over land and harm it.

Mr. LINEHAN said that he would not like it to go out that he was against hunting. He was not. The amendment dealt with a period of the year in which there was no hunting. (Cries of "Oh! Oh!" and "March.") He would not tie the amendment to the month of March, and would be quite satisfied to start on the 1st May.

The CHAIRMAN—They could not hunt in that month. It is the close season

Mr. LINEHAN withdrew the amendment on the understanding that he would draft a motion for the report stage which would meet his objection to drag-hunts.

CIVIC GUARDS' DUTIES.

Mr. LINEHAN moved a further amendment, the object of which was to relieve Civic Guards of the duty of modifying certain restrictions in the bill. Under the bill, he said, the Civic Guards Superintendent could grant modifications with regard to the taking of certain game, and he thought that that was a very unwise provision, as it would bring the farmers and the Civic Guards into conflict. That body had quite enough to do without this extra duty.

Mr. COMYN agreed that the functions of the Civic Guards should not be extended further than they were at present.

The amendment was defeated.

The MacGILLYCUDDY moved an amendment which had the effect of prohibiting the netting of grouse. He said that it was extremely difficult to net grouse; that frequently four out of every five grouse netted were injured, and that even when netted by experts twenty per cent. of the grouse were injured.

Mr. BAGWELL, in supporting the amendment, said that the process was extremely cruel.

The Minister accepted the amendment.

A CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL.

THE MacGILLYCUDDY moved the insertion of a new section—(1) providing for the establishment of a Consultative Council for the purpose of giving advice and assistance to the Minister in connection with any matter in relation to the making of regulations under, or carrying into execution, the provisions of the Act, or any other matter affecting the preservation and propagation of game, or any other matter affecting the game industry; (2) the Council to consist of such persons as the Minister should from time to time nominate, and to include representatives of both Houses of the Oireachtas and of the General Council of County Councils, each member to retain his membership for two years only from the date of his nomination, but to be eligible for re-nomination. It was also suggested that travelling expenses and subsistence allowance be paid to members of the Council out of moneys to be provided by the Oireachtas.

He said that unless there was some such body to examine the operations of the measure and to make suggestions, there would be very little progress in the game industry.

Dr. GOGARTY supported the motion, provided that it did not cost the country anything. There would be a far better chance of the game industry developing, he said, by the appointment of such a body than by leaving it all to the Executive Committee.

Mr. BROWN said that the amendment was purely an enabling one, and it left the matter to the discretion of the Minister

Mr. FitzGERALD-KENNEY, Minister for Justice, said that he did not think that such a council could do any good, and it might possibly do harm. The development of the game industry was a matter for the department which was conversant with it, and not his department, which had not the out-door staff.

The amendment was carried.

Mr. LINEHAN moved a new section providing that fees which should be prescribed by the Minister and which should be paid into the Exchequer should be payable for hunting permits and for recognition of coursing clubs and game preservation societies.

Opposing the amendment, the Minister said that this meant imposing taxation and was a matter for a Finance Bill.

The amendment was rejected.

CLOSE SEASON FOR SNIPE.

Major-General Sir WILLIAM HICKIE moved to change the date from which the close season for snipe and woodcock should commence from March 1st to February 15th.

The EARL OF GRANARD said that he had no objection to the 15th February, but he preferred February 1st.

The amendment was accepted.

An amendment by Major-General Sir WILLIAM HICKIE to change the date of the end of the close season for these birds from August 31st to October 15th was carried.

The Committee stage was passed.

WILD BIRDS' PROTECTION.

On the report stage of the Wild Birds Protection Bill, an amendment by Mr. COMYN was accepted, including in the list of birds to be protected the blackbird, finch (all kinds), heron, lark (all kinds), linnet (all kinds), marten, peregrine, falcon, stonehammer, swallow, swan, swift, thrush (all kinds) and tit (all kinds).

Dr. GOGARTY said that one famous Irish bird had been omitted from the list. It appeared at rare intervals, but no one should be permitted to shoot it. He referred to the phœnix. (Laughter.)

The report stage was passed.

BILLS ADVANCED.

The Committee stage of the Expiring Laws Bill was passed.

The Senate By-elections Bill passed the report stage.

The Committee stage of the Electricity Agreements (Adaptation) Bill was passed, and

The House adjourned at 6.5 p.m. until 3 p.m. on Tuesday next.

MR. HARRY CLARKE'S DRAWINGS.

EXHIBITION AT THE MILLS HALL.

Mrs. MacNeill, wife of the Governor-General of the Free State, was an interested visitor to the exhibition of drawings by Mr. Harry Clarke, which opened in the Mills Hall Merrion row, Dublin, yesterday afternoon. In the works on view Mr. Clarke reveals qualities that place him in a niche distinctively apart from any of his contemporary Irish artists. His works, which are ninety per cent. in black and white, show not only a wonderful sense of line, highly fantastical it may be, but wonderfully decorative, and executed with superb artistry. No one surpasses him in his power of imparting so many and varied shades to his black and white work, and he combines with it a delicacy of line that makes his drawings something like fine filagree work. Many of the drawings on view are already familiar to the discriminating public. "The Tell Tale Heart" is, perhaps, the most impressive drawing in the collection. The coloured illustrations of Faust are also wonderful in their soft tones. "Come she is Judged" is very impressive in its message and setting. Of the black and whites "The Masque of Queen Bersebe" is effective, both in its conception and workmanship.

It is an exhibition worth seeing.

NEWS FROM ALL IRELAND.

TIPPERARY FAT PIG MARKET.

At TIPPERARY fat pig market yesterday quotations were 64s. to 66s. per cwt. live weight, an increase of 3s. to 4s. on last week. There was a fairly large supply and a brisk demand.

MAN FOUND DEAD.

Patrick Flynn, a carpenter, of Kilmastulla, County TIPPERARY, was found lying dead on the roadside about a quarter of a mile from Ballina yesterday. Flynn had been to Killaloe, and was returning home in charge of a pony and trap.

DEATH OF MRS. E. SEIGNE.

The death has occurred of Mrs. Elizabeth Seigne, late of Grinnan House, THOMASTOWN, aged 80 years. She was widow of the late Mr. John T. Seigne, who was agent for the Marquis of Ormonde for over half a century, and mother of Major W. T. Seigne, Coppenagh Lodge, Thomastown, and Major R. B. Seigne, St. Anne's, Cork.

SHOT-GUN AND CARTRIDGES.

For having in his possession without a licence a shot-gun, thirty-six cartridges and a half pound of shot Edward Burke, labourer, Ballough, BANSHA, was at Tipperary last Wednesday fined £5 and the gun ordered to be forfeited. District Justice Troy said that there were far too many of these cases cropping up.

SOBRIETY TEST.

James Maloney, garage hand, of Ranelagh, was fined by District Justice Goff, at NAVAN Sessions, £2 for being drunk in charge of a motor, and 10s. for reckless driving. "Round the rugged, rocky road the ragged rascal ran" were the words of the test applied to him by the doctor who was called in to the barracks at the instance of defendant, who denied that he was drunk.

DEATH OF LEGIONARY.

Mr. J. J. Sullivan, formerly warden in charge of the Royal Barracks, Dublin, has died at NEWRY. A native of Limerick, Mr. Sullivan enlisted at the age of 14 in the East Lancashire Regiment, and served for twenty-three years with the Colours. He was until lately secretary of the Newry Branch of the British Legion.

FALL UNDER TRAIN.

While Patrick Davey, a butcher, of Iveagh Drive, Falls road, BELFAST, was attempting to board a moving train at Scarva Junction, he fell between the platform and the carriage. The train passed over him, severing both his legs and one of his hands. He now lies in Banbridge Infirmary in a serious condition

CONSPIRACY CHARGE FAILS.

In the CARRICK-ON-SHANNON Circuit Court, before Judge Sheehy, George Harte, Ettew, and Eugene McManus, Drumbreanlis, were found "not guilty" of having on August 7 or 8 last conspired to shoot Francis Doyle and caused him grievous bodily harm, and discharged. A third count in the charge of having committed damage by firing shots into Doyle's house went out by direction of the Judge.

NOVEL CASE AT BELFAST.

At BELFAST Summons Court yesterday, Robert J. Donaghey, aged 23, a constable of the R.U.C., was charged with leaving his employment without giving notice. Evidence was given that accused, who was stationed at Smithfield Barracks, went on leave on the 8th September and did not return. A solicitor, who represented Donaghey, stated that his client had now left the country, and he apologised on his behalf. Defendant was fined £3.

MISSING MAN FOUND DROWNED.

Yesterday afternoon a number of mussel gatherers, while fishing in DUNDALK Harbour, noticed the body of a man lying face downwards on a sandbank three miles from the Dundalk quays. Sergeant Rahilly was communicated with, and the body brought ashore. It was that of a man of apparently 25 years of age, and had not been long in the water. Papers found in the pockets bore the name of James Carroll, of Cootehill, County Cavan, and showed that the man, formerly employed by the Monaghan County Council, had been idle for some time. There were no marks of violence on the body.

UNUSUAL CASE.

A novel case was heard at CARLINGFORD (County Louth) District Court yesterday, when John Murphy, of Ardtullybeg, was prosecuted for having acted as an auctioneer without having paid his licence. It was admitted on behalf of the defendant that he had acted as auctioneer at a small furniture sale on behalf of his employer, Mr. J. P. Kearney, himself a licensed auctioneer. Mr. J. B. Hamill, State Solicitor, said that no matter what was said, ignorance of the law was no excuse, and the Justice was bound to impose a penalty of £100, which he could reduce to £25. District Justice Goff said that the imposition of statutory penalties was an old idea, which was coming to an end, and he would like to see them wiped out as a principle. He adjourned the case to see if he could apply the Probation of Offenders Act.

ULSTER TOURIST TRAFFIC.

The monthly meeting of the Council of Management of the Ulster Tourist Development Association, Ltd., was held at the registered offices, 6 Royal avenue, Belfast, yesterday. Mr. Robert Baillie, Chairman, who presided, stated that he had the very pleasing duty of handing over to Mr. W. H. Conn the cheque for the poster, presented by the Association for an Ulster poster for 1930 He was glad that it had been won by an Ulster artist. The Council considered the reports presented regarding Lough Neagh Development, the suggested ferry between Strangford and Portaferry, and the Conference which had been held in Glasgow regarding the Ardrossan-Portrush service. Mr. James Boyd moved, and Councillor Sweeney seconded, a motion congratulating the Chairman, Mr. Robert Baillie, on his being appointed the President of the Incorporated Law Society.

OUTBREAK OF FIRE.

Last Wednesday night a fire which broke out in an out-building in the farmyard at Browne's Hill, CARLOW, was extinguished by the local fire brigade.

DUNGARVAN WOMAN'S DEATH.

The death took place last Wednesday morning of Mrs. K Stokes, DUNGARVAN, mother of Mr. Patrick Stokes, manager of the Dame street, Dublin, branch of the Munster and Leinster Bank.

A NATIONAL MONUMENT.

The Office of Public Works has written the DONEGAL Board of Health inquiring if the Board are willing to place the chancel of the Rathmullan Abbey, portion of their burial ground, in their care as a national monument.

HUNTING FIELD ACCIDENT.

A valuable grey mare, which the owner, Colonel Vandeleur, Middletown House, Courtown Harbour, GOREY, was riding at a meet of the Island Hounds last Monday, was jumping a fence when it injured its spine through the hind leg catching in a hole, and had to be destroyed.

TRIBUTE TO DEAD GAELS.

At the opening of the DUNGARVAN District Court last Wednesday, Justice Troy said that he very much regretted the death of Mr. William Dunne, who was a great Irish scholar. He also was very sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Dan. Fraher, who was an old citizen, a great Gael, and a great Irishman in every way.

CHRISTMAS FOWL PRICES.

Reports from the provinces indicate a plentiful supply of turkeys and geese for Christmas. Local prices:—Turkeys, per lb.—Roscommon, 9d. to 10½d; Mountbellew, 9d.; Glenamaddy, 8d.; Nenagh, 8d. to 10d.; Ferns, 10d.; Loughrea, 8d. and 9d.; Ballybale, 10d.; Roscrea, 9d. Geese vary from 3s. 6d. to 5s. 6d. each, and chickens average 6s. per pair.

CLARKE MEMORIAL HALL.

At a public meeting held at BORRISOKANE, and presided over by Mr. George Hobbs, it was decided unanimously that preparations should be immediately commenced to give effect to the will of the late Miss Clarke, of Macclesfield, England, who died twenty-five years ago, and who left a sum of £5,000 for the purpose of erecting in the locality a building to be known as the Clarke Memorial Hall.

BELFAST-BANGOR ROAD.

At a meeting of the DOWN County Council, which was held in Downpatrick yesterday, the half-yearly rate proposals were dealt with, and Mr. Wilkin, the County Surveyor, was empowered to re-engage Mr. F. Crawford, the draughtsman, for eight more weeks in relation to the Belfast-Bangor road widening project at £235,800. It was stated that there were five sections of this work, and one section would be done each year.

PART-TIME TEACHERS' PAY.

The ENNISCORTHY Technical Instruction Committee has decided to pay their part-time teachers a flat rate of 4s. 6d. an hour from January 1 next. The Committee has been paying the teachers the basic rate of 3s. 9d. an hour, plus the bonus of 26 per cent., out of its own funds since the Free State Department of Technical Education withdrew the refund of bonus from all committees in the Free State at the beginning of the present session.

PRISON FOR EMBEZZLEMENT.

At MARYBOROUGH Circuit Court, Patrick J. Moran, Mountmellick, was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment, with hard labour, for the embezzlement of £464 10s. 10d., the property of the Laoighise Co. Council, to which charge he pleaded guilty. Judge Wakely, before passing sentence, said that since he came to the county in 1924 down to the present time he had had more cases—he did not say that there was an enormous number—of rate collectors embezzling monies of the County Council than in all his other five counties.

GRANTS TO TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

The Free State Department, in notifying the NEW ROSS Technical Committee the allocation of £305 grant on students' attendance for the past session, intimated that an additional one-tenth was given for conspicuous merit in the teaching of domestic economy, handicraft and science. The Rev. Brother Carew said that it was very hard to get the extra one-tenth, and the award reflected credit on the staff. The Principal (Mr. T. Lungley) said that the grant had increased 50 per cent. in the past seven years. The Department also sanctioned a grant of £100 towards the equipment of the new engineering workshop.

COOKERY CLASS FOR BOYS?

At the monthly meeting of the ENNISCORTHY Technical Education Committee last Wednesday night—the Very Rev. Dean H. Cameron Lyster presiding—Mr. John Foley, Urban Councillor, asked if the Committee would consider the formation of a special cookery class for boys. They could get employment, when trained, in hotels. The hotel industry was developing with the tourist traffic. The pay of a chef was far in advance of other kinds of employment. Mr. Foley said that the difficulty about getting the boys to attend arose, because boys look on cooking as "old Molly" business. They wanted to shake that idea off, and their parents should make them do it. The matter was adjourned for further consideration.

RABBITS.

A farmer, Patrick Reilly, residing in a mountainy district of County LONGFORD, where rabbits were unknown some time ago, complained at Longford Court that John Lenehan had poached for rabbits with an unlicensed gun on his lands. Reilly said that he had two pet rabbits, and they reared nine young ones in a pot, and he dug holes in the ditches and put them out there, and they got plentiful. Justice Kenny—That is a very interesting story. When you transplanted them from the pot to the ditches they increased?—Reilly—Yes. Justice—In my experience I always have heard of people trying to get rid of them. Reilly's brother, who owns an adjoining farm, said that he invited Mr. Lenehan with his gun to destroy the rabbits, as they were a destruction on his crops. The Justice—This is getting more interesting. One brother encourages rabbits to multiply, and his brother tries to get rid of them. The case was dismissed.

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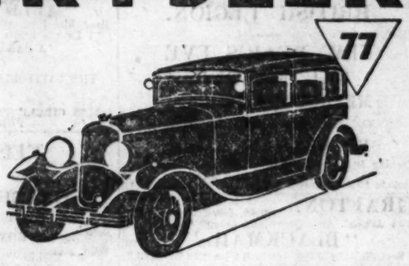

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TWO KILLED IN BRIDGE COLLAPSE.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

LERIDA, SPAIN, Thursday.

Two persons were killed and several injured to-day by the collapse of an unfinished bridge over the River Sio.

All the males are carrying

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CELBRIDGE NO. 2.
Notice is hereby given that consequent on an application made by the Rural District Council of Celbridge No. 2 to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health for Saorstát Eireann to be vested with powers of an Urban Sanitary Authority under the provisions of the Public Health (Ireland) Acts, and the said Minister for Local Government and Public Health has issued an Order dated the 29th day of November, 1929, declaring that the provisions of Section 49 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, shall be in force within the limits or boundaries of the District Electoral Division of Lucan, in the Rural District of Celbridge No. 2, and subject to any conditions which the Minister may hereafter deem fit to specify in the matter, and to the provisions for rating in Rural Districts under the Local Government (Ireland) Acts, 1898 to 1919, the Rural Sanitary Authority shall be invested with all the powers, rights, duties, capacities, liabilities and obligations of an Urban District Council under Section 49 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, to be exercised and attach within the said limits and boundaries.
All expenses incurred, or to be incurred by the Rural Sanitary Authority in carrying out the provisions of Section 49 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, within the limits or boundaries of the said District Electoral Division of Lucan, shall be special expenses, and the said District Electoral Division shall be the area of charge on which all such expenses shall be chargeable.
By Order.
F. SHORTT,
Clerk of the District Council.
Council Office, Celbridge,
10th December, 1929.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A large anticyclone has developed over Spain, and a depression on the Atlantic will move north-east outside our north-west coast. Wind will back to south-west, strong generally, a gale locally in the north and west, and weather will be unsettled, though rainfall will be small in the south.

North-West, North-East, South-East and South-West Ireland.—Wind south-west, strong to a gale; cloudy; some rain; mild.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind south-west, strong to a gale; cloudy; some rain; visibility moderate; sea rough.

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DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT.

Dec.	Bar.	Thermometer. Temp. 10 p.m	Max.	Min.	Grass Min.	Wind.	Rain. m.m.	Sun hours
6	28.188	46.1	48	42	37	S.S.E.	0.5	—
7	29.716	44.4	47	40	38	E.	4.4	0.9
8	29.366	40.3	50	39	34	W.	2.0	1.7
9	29.293	37.1	44	37	33	W.	4.3	—
10	29.320	40.0	43	37	32	S.E.	0.4	3.3
11	29.568	44.9	52	39	36	W.N.W.	4.0	—
12	30.084	49.8	50	40	36	W.S.W.	1.6	1.1

THE SUN.
To-day...Rises ... 8.32 Sets 4. 6
To-morrow... " ... 8.32 " 4. 6
Lighting-up Time 5. 6

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To-day.....Morning 8.50 Afternoon 8.56
To-morrow... " ... 9.21 " 9.47

LADY HAIG IN PARIS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Thursday.

Lady Haig, who has come here at the invitation of the Committee of the Flame of the Arc de Triomphe to rekindle the flame at the grave of the Unknown Soldier, arrived punctually at the Gare du Nord in the Golden Arrow. She was welcomed at the station by General Gouraud and members of the Committee.

Lady Haig, with her arms full of bouquets, replied to a brief speech of General Gouraud by declaring her affection for French ex-service men.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1929.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

In an address delivered at Waterford yesterday the Bishop of Cashel spoke of the attitude of Protestants in the Free State towards the Government's language policy.—(Page 8.)

At Arklow yesterday the Minister for Fisheries outlined a proposed State-aided scheme for the improvement of the fishing industry.—(Page 7.)

In the Irish Free State Senate yesterday the second reading of the Courts of Justice Bill was carried by 36 votes to 5. An amendment to the Game Preservation Bill war carried providing for the establishment of a Consultative Council to assist and advise the Minister. The bill passed through Committee. The Wild Birds Protection Bill passed through the report stage.—(Page 5.)

Additional evidence was given at the Grain Tribunal in Dublin yesterday in favour of the Irish grain-growers' proposal that all maize for feeding purposes should be mixed with Irish-grown cereals.—(Page 8.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Coal Bill has met with the unqualified support of the Miners' Federation. The owners are opposed to the National Board and the reduction of hours sections.—(Page 7.)

Speaking at the annual dinner of the United Association of Great Britain and France in London last night, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Foreign Secretary, expressed the hope that the coming Naval Conference in London would lead to a World Disarmament Conference.—(Page 7.)

The House of Commons last night gave a second reading to the re-drafted clause which makes "genuinely seeking work" a condition of receiving benefit under the Unemployment Insurance Bill.—(Page 8.)

ABROAD.

Six French fishermen were drowned when a Breton sardine trawler turned turtle. Clinging to the keel, the skipper saved three of the crew.—(Page 7.)

Great damage has been caused by a hurricane in Fiji, and the Government is giving relief to destitute natives.—(Page 7.)

With the departure of the 2nd Royal Fusiliers from Wiesbaden yesterday the British occupation of the Rhineland came to an end. Impressive scenes marked the departure of the troops.—(Page 7.)

FINANCIAL.

The Bank of England rate was reduced to 5 per cent. The Irish banks' rate remains at 6 per cent., but loans on Government stock transferred are reduced to 5 per cent. Irish deposit rates are reduced by ½ per cent.—(Page 7.)

London Stock Markets were fairly steady. Gilt-edged securities were firmer, but Internationals moved uncertainly.—(Page 12.)

In the Discount Market the new official minimum was made effective. Credit was in rather short supply, and borrowers occasionally paid up to 5¼ per cent. The rate for fixtures was reduced to 4 per cent.—(Page 12.)

In Dublin the market was brighter, but at the end prices were easier.—(Page 12.)

The New Spain.

As he walks through the streets of any Irish city, admiring the tawdry pleasures that America has planted throughout Christendom, a saddened observer well might cry, with the maker of the recruiting song for the Crusaders, "*Capta est hereditas pendentis in ligno.*" How may the social rot that has followed the Great War—the selfishness, the indolence, the vulgar frivolity—be arrested? In many continental lands resort has been made to dictatorship, whereby the enlightened will of an individual has replaced the dissipated will of the community. It is thus that within six years the Marqués de Estella has rescued the Spanish nation from the disruptive tendencies of the age. A land that was the prey of factions, that was decadent and weak, has been filled with economic activity. Energies that were being wasted in political strife have been diverted into works of national reconstruction. The material works of the dictatorship are most precious to Spain, not because poor men are a little richer and backward territories a little more prosperous, but because material activity has served to brace the individual and to discipline society. Dictatorship, however, is not a natural form of government. At best it is transitional. It fails unless it can crown the arch of its achievements with the binding keystone of a restored constitution. Will the Spanish Dictator arrive at this final triumph?

The Marqués de Estella has restored to Spain her heritage of dignity, order and social good-will. He has set her in the way of prosperity, and he promised that a revised constitution would be laid before the National Consultative Assembly in October, in order that the dictatorship should be brought to an early end. This promise has not been fulfilled. Criticism of his draft constitution was invited. Spain is a land that loves abstract argument, and criticism swelled into a volume of disputation. Don Quixote said that the true knight must know the laws of distributive and commutative justice, must be theologian, physician and astrologer, a master of mathematics and one able to shoe, groom and saddle a horse. This Quixotic versatility has gone to the discussion of the fine points of the Dictator's scheme. In newspapers, reviews and books the theory of government has been debated with so much zeal and so little agreement that the Dictator has received no clear mandate for the modification of his policy. Nevertheless, modification has begun. The censorship of foreign messages has been withdrawn. An amnesty has been granted to military offenders. The threat, long maintained, of drastic punishment of the leaders of the late revolt has been waived. We may assume that the Marqués de Estella is honestly anxious to be relieved of the burden of autocracy. It is believed that municipal elections will be held early in the new year as a means to set in motion the revival of constitutional practice.

We have received from the Consul-General for Spain in Dublin a copy of Señor José Pemartin's book, "General Primo de Rivera and the Dictatorship in Spain." Herein are described in detail the building of new railway connections, the establishment of aerial services, the campaigns against tuberculosis and cancer, the restoration of museums, the development of the tourist traffic, the enlargement of the mercantile marine and many other happy achievements of the *régime*. Tables and diagrams show how strikes have diminished, budgets improved and crime and disorder decreased. The Dictator, in a foreword, declares that his experience has convinced him that parliamentary representation is vital to lasting good government. "Hence," he says, "I have cherished the hope to bring into being in Spain a single parliamentary Chamber, of well-balanced composition and unassailable repute. That is the work which it remains for me to accomplish." What will follow if the Marqués de Estella's plans mature? A few days ago the sword of the canonised King Ferdinand was carried in religious pomp through the Granada which that weapon once liberated from the Moors. This annual procession is typical of the long-remembering and picturesque conservatism of Spain—the conservatism which made possible the success of a bloodless tyranny. Will the new progress slay the old conservatism or give it a glorified new life?

The Bank Rate.

Yesterday the Bank of England reduced its discount rate from five and a half to five *per cent.* Reductions in the Bank rate are very rare in December; but the present circumstances are exceptional, inasmuch as the monetary situation in Europe has changed completely in consequence of the recent collapse in Wall street. Although a half *per cent.* reduction is not very much, its psychological effect will be far-reaching. When, in September, the English Bank rate was increased from five and a half to six and a half *per cent.*, the Irish Bank rate rose promptly from six to seven *per cent.* In October English and Irish rates alike came down by one-half *per cent.*, and in November by a further one-half *per cent.* Yesterday, however, the Standing Committee of the Irish Banks announced that it did not propose to change its rate, with the result that the Irish rate now stands at six *per cent.*, while the English rate has been reduced to five *per cent.* Loans on Government Stock transferred, however, will be negotiated at five *per cent.* It is difficult to understand why the Irish banks should refuse to lower their rate *pari passu* with the rate in England—indeed, many experts fail to see why there should be any difference between the two rates at all. Not only have the Irish banks not reduced their discount rate in common with that of the Bank of England; they actually have reduced their deposit rate on sums under £500 from three to two and a half *per cent.* Thus they have contrived to have matters both ways. Their discount rate is at least one-half *per cent.* too high, while their deposit rate is a half *per cent.* too low. The Irish banks in the past have pursued a very wise policy. Their conservatism more than once has been of the utmost value to the country, but on this occasion they have gone too far. An Englishman pays five *per cent.* for accommodation and receives three and a half *per cent.* on his deposits, while the Irishman, who gets only two and a half *per cent.* for his money, is forced to pay six *per cent.* for his loans. How can this discrepancy be justified? We know that the Bank of England's discount rate is nominal—that it applies only to fine scrip, very little of which exists in this country. Nevertheless, in view of the general economic condition of Ireland, we feel that the banks ought to be more generous. After all, if there were no deposits, there would be no loans, and some consideration ought to be shown for those persons who supply the banking system with its life's blood. We can understand the policy which maintains the discount rate at a higher level than the Bank of England rate, although we are not at all certain that we agree with it. We cannot understand, however, the motives which have impelled the banks to reduce their deposit rate, and we think that the public is entitled to an explanation.

Epilogue.

Yesterday the last British soldier left the Rhine. The final scene was most impressive, and even "the ranks of Tuscany," if they forebore to cheer, at least were sensible of the fact that they were present at a momentous and significant ceremony. A dignity natural to the British and Germans characterised the proceedings. As the Union Jack was hauled down by Sergeant-Major Saunders, of the 2nd Royal Fusiliers, to the strains of the Royal Salute, the great majority of the German onlookers bared their heads. Here was no obsequiousness to a foreign flag. Rather did a great nation honour the conduct of its English kinsmen, who by their moderation had achieved a height that it would have wished its own sons to attain. The troops moved down the Wilhelmstrasse while the band played "Auld Lang Syne." We can imagine no tune more suitable. Surely among those present were some whose vision enabled them to look back beyond the recent years of artificial hate to the time when the common ancestors of the German and English peoples, under Arminius, had hurled into ruin the legions of imperial Rome. Perhaps, some of these looked forward to a happier day, when once again the Nordic peoples would stand side by side, the bulwark of an enlightened world. At the station the 8th French Infantry Regiment were paraded, and their band, too, played "Auld Lang Syne." The last act of a gigantic war is over, and it behoves us to rejoice without recriminations. The generosity of related families will heal the wounds of a misguided strife. To-day Germany and England can look forward to a great future, based on the fulfilment of mutual interests. The legacies of Hengist and Knut, of Marlborough and of Blücher, can be resuscitated by their inheritors.

Malaria in Kenya.

According to the Special Correspondent of *The Times* at Nairobi, Colonel James has laid an interim report on malaria before the Legislature. It appears that the disease, both in the number of cases and in its character, has obtained a grave grip on Kenya Colony. Indeed, such a position is serious, as will be manifest to all those who have sojourned within the ambit of the anopheline mosquito. Other tropical diseases may be more savage in their attacks and more regularly fatal in their results, but malaria is more wasteful in human effort than all the rest. Its legacies often remain in the system for years after the sufferer has returned to Europe, and lay him low at the approach of every cold season. Yet, like most other human ills, it can be avoided with care. It is carried from person to person by the anopheline mosquito, and it is necessary only to remain unbitten to be immune. Two obvious measures suggest themselves—namely, the extermination of the insect or its exclusion from human society. The mosquito breeds in stagnant pools, so that a careful supervision of puddles and tanks by interested communities can achieve much. Colonel James's interim report proposes that houses be screened. This practice is universal in the Southern States of America; yet, oddly enough, dwellers in the tropics prefer to rely upon the untrustworthy mosquito curtain. We hope that the final report of the Colonial Office will embody a comprehensive programme. Too long already has malaria been allowed to flourish almost unchecked—a contention which is proved by the fact that all those who have spent any time in the East are presumed, as a matter of course, to be malarious. With sustained effort the dread mosquito can be overcome.

IBSEN TRAGEDY—"GHOSTS."

MEMORABLE PLAY AT THE ABBEY THEATRE.

In the very frank speech in which she acknowledged the plaudits of the audience at the Abbey Theatre last night, Mrs. Patrick Campbell said: "We have not done justice to this great tragedy." While there can be no possibility of disagreement upon that statement it may be said that any first production of such a play as "Ghosts" would probably be attended by the unevenness and scrappiness which marked this performance. It was not a production that the public could with complete satisfaction applaud; it was a production that had its great moments, as it had its moments of exasperation and frustration.

"Ghosts" is certainly not to be numbered amongst the major plays of the Norwegian master. In theme and technique it cannot be compared to such plays as "The Master Builder" or "The Wild Duck," but in the series of "social plays" it takes a high place. From one angle it might be judged as a restrospective statement of what might have happened to Nora Helmer if she returned to her husband after that famous door-slam which closed the "Doll's House." Had Pastor Manders not sent Mrs. Alving back to her husband at the end of her first year of marriage, when she sought refuge with him, there would have been no ghosts to lay, and no tragedy for Oswald and his mother. It is difficult to see now why this play incurred the ban of the Lord Chamberlain for thirty years in England, and difficult also to see why it should be regarded as prurient. It is in effect a sermon, or an illustrated parable, on the text: "The sins of the fathers are visited upon the children." It is worked out in terms of false idealism in triumphant conflict with truth.

THE PLAY.

The Kammerherre Alving was overbrimming, as his widow says, with "the joy of life," and this in a small country place could only mean a very dissolute existence. His sins did not find him out until ten years after his death, when an orphanage is being dedicated to his memory, and his son has returned from a prolonged sojourn as an artist in Rome and Paris. Pastor Manders had come with all the documents connected with the Alving Foundation, and he resisted insurance because his people might suspect him of disbelief in the Higher Power. Jacob Engstrand, the nominal father of the Alving's maid Regina, who had been a carpenter at the building, suggests a prayer-meeting to give thanks for the successful conclusion of the work, and as a consequence the entire structure is destroyed by fire because of negligence with the candles.

Everything that the Kammerherre had touched is burning, Oswald says. He had suffered all his life from headaches, and when he had consulted a doctor in Paris he was told that the next attack would end his career; so he stored the little packets of morphia. Regina would rescue him in his hour of need, or so he believed; but the revelation of his blood relationship with the girl removed her from the house, and from his life. She would "drink champagne with gentle-folks yet," and he would rely upon the word of his mother. Engstrand would keep a "sailors' home which would be a credit to the memory of Captain Alving." The final scene, with its heartfelt cry from Oswald, was a really thrilling moment.

FINE ACTING.

In Mrs. Patrick Campbell there is surely an ideal Mrs. Alving. In her quiet manner she emphasised everything that Ibsen had said lightly, and in her demeanour she was the tragic mother as none other could be in the role. Her voice was handicapped somewhat by a cough that impeded her, and by slips in dialogue, but she rose supreme in the great moments which close the first and third acts. It is a performance that aspiring actors and actresses would do well to study carefully. Oswald was shown by Mr. Anew McMaster undecided, weary, *blasé*, bored, yet as full of the "joy of life" as was his father. His scenes with Pastor Manders in the first act, and with his mother in the climax, were each exhibitions of fine acting. Once more Mr. Charles Marford proved his versatility by giving a very fine interpretation of the sly hypocrite, Jacob Engstrand, and Miss Esmé Biddle made all that was possible in the small part of Regina. Mr. Basil Gill did not seem to be at all comfortable in the part of Manders. To Mrs. Patrick Campbell and Messrs. McMaster and Marford must go the honours of a very fine introductory performance of a memorable play.

"Ghosts" will be repeated to-night and on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

"CAVE OCCUPATIONS IN IRELAND."

DUBLIN NATURALISTS' FIELD CLUB.

Under the auspices of the Dublin Naturalists' Field Club, at a meeting in the Academy House, Dawson street, last night, Mr. A. M. Gwynn delivered a lecture on "Early Cave Occupations in Ireland."

In the course of his remarks, Mr. Gwynn referred at length to the discoveries at Kilgrany, including the human skull, which was on exhibition for the first time; remains of implements of the bronze age and the new stone age. He went on to deal with finds at Kesh of remains which indicated the inhabitation there before the Crannog period, approximately 2,000 years ago. The caves there, it appeared, had been inhabited by wild beasts, chiefly bears; and there were also found remains of reindeer. Digging at Donerailе revealed the remains of mammoth reindeer, hyenas, bears and the Irish elk. Mammoth remains were found in the cave at Shandon (Co. Waterford). He spoke of the finding, generally in caves, of a barren layer, but said that they had not been excavated sufficiently.

In the course of a discussion, Mr. A. W. Stelfax spoke of the need for further exploration of barren layer, described at Kesh and elsewhere. He proposed that the Academy be requested to carry out further investigations in this respect as soon as possible. He also proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Gwynn.

Dr. Praeger seconded the resolutions, which were supported by Mr. F. T. Riley and Dr. Bailey Butler, and passed.

Mr. M. J. Gorman presided.

The Dublin Fire Brigade ambulance answered a call last night to Doneycarney, and conveyed a man named Patrick Roche, of Allenswood, County Kildare, to Jervis street Hospital. He had been knocked down by a bus while leading a horse and cart, and sustained injuries to his arm and left hip. He was treated and detained.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Queen and Princess Mary inspected the different departments in the chocolate manufactory when they visited Messrs. Fortnum and Mason's establishment on Wednesday, and Her Majesty showed much interest in the various stages of production of the chocolates.

The Duke of Gloucester was elected President of the Royal Agricultural Society of England at the annual meeting of the Society, which was held at Islington. The Earl of Harewood, the retiring President, was in the chair, and the speakers included Lord Daresbury, Lord Hastings, and Sir Harold Mackintosh. In returning thanks for his election the Duke remarked that he was the fourteenth member of the Royal Family who had been selected for that position by the Society.

The Duke of Devonshire is making a short stay in London, and will return to Chatsworth to-morrow. The Marquis and Marchioness of Bute will leave London next week for Scotland, and will spend Christmas at Mount Stuart, in the Isle of Bute. The Marquis of Headfort has arrived in London from Ireland, and has joined the Marchioness of Headfort at 22 Abbey road, N.W. The Marquis and Marchioness of Blandford have returned to London from Leicestershire. The Earl of Lonsdale has left Lowther, Penrith, for London, and will make a short stay at 14 Carlton House terrace.

Viscount and Viscountess Massereene and Ferrard have arrived in London from Milland Place, Liphook. Other arrivals in London include Viscount and Viscountess Burnham, Lord and Lady Stanley of Alderley, the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme, the Hon. Mrs. Wilson Filmer, and the Hon. Katharine Norton.

Major Cosmo and Lady Guendolen Little left Southampton yesterday in the s.s. Flandria for Teneriffe, and will not return to England for three or four months. Lady Grizel Hamilton left London yesterday for Toulon to join the s.s. Orsova for Australia. She will be the guest of the Governor-General and Lady Stonehaven at Government House, Canberra. Lady Cobham will sail to-day in the s.s. Saxon for South Africa.

Many British visitors are reported at Mentone, where numerous festivities have been arranged for Christmas. Among the latest arrivals are Lady Delmé-Radcliffe and her mother, Lady Treves, Sir Charles and Lady Stanford, Major and Mrs. A. Trench, Mr. and Mrs. F. Fitch-Mason, Mr. Douglas Wheeler, Mrs. Langley, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade-Miller.

The Earl and Countess of Derby will leave early next month for Cannes. Viscount and Viscountess Dunedin will sail at the end of next week for Tunis. Lord Howard of Glossop and Baroness Beaumont are on their way to Rome. Mr. and Lady Diana Cooper will leave London next Tuesday for New York.

The Right Hon. Andrew and Mrs. A. Jameson have left Ireland for the Continent, and will be away until the middle of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Southcote Mansergh and Miss Moody have arrived from St. Ann's Hill at the Hibernian Hotel.

This Christmas give furs—the most acceptable of all gifts. A beautiful selection can be seen at Switzers, Grafton street—Fur Stoles and Necklets, from 21s. upwards; Fur Foot Muffs for the motor, the office or the home, from 18s. 6d.; also Fur Motor Rugs at very moderate prices.

The Five-o'clock—The importance to a woman of looking well dressed is immeasurable. It is not the thing to dress in "just anything" now. Gowns must mould the figure and then flare. They must be full of fascination. We have ideal Dresses for Five o'clock—good quality, well made and inexpensive. We invite you to walk through our showrooms and inspect our stock.—W. Holmes and Co., South Great George's street.

Vard's Dress Salon—A charming collection of Evening Frocks, Gowns and Cloth Coats now on view at David Vard's, 8 Grafton street, Dublin (next Mitchell's).

Christmas Sale of Arts and Crafts at 42 Dawson street, from 10th to 14th December, inclusive, by The Dun Emer Guild, The Crock of Gold, Miss Nan Holland, The Cluna Studios, Misses Phyllis Godfrey and Dorothy Blackham, The Roebuck Shell Flower Industry. Open daily 11 to 7.30. Admission free. Morning Coffee and Afternoon Teas.

Sale of Original Models—Slyne and Co., Ltd., 71 Grafton street, are reducing all their Model Coats, Frocks, Hats and Sportswear.

In order to keep our workers employed a this season of the year, we are making Costumes from 5½ gns.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
Arrivals.—Mrs. Lewerc, J. R. Elliott, K. C. Darley, Mrs. Alfred Mockler, W. Woods, M. Taylor, R. Murray, Mrs. Donnelly, L. Murray, Mary Healy, Mrs. James Dunne.
Departures.—Colonel Cruncannon, Joseph Brennan, John L. McConnell, Dr. M. R. Brady, John J. Knight, P. L. MacBride, Miss Collins, Mrs. A. H. Potterton, Mrs. Aylieff, Miss Summers, S. Bloomer, Miss Cummings.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.
Arrivals.—T. Levitt, J. Lloyd, Dr. Maitland, Dr. Lamb, T. Phillips, J. Mann, Dr. J. McMahon, T. Sproule, D. Wood, Dr. H. Dumphy, T. Wickens, Mrs. Fitzwilliam, J. Whitehead, T. Cavanagh, J. Ryder, R. Sheriff and party, J. Waters.
Departures.—P. Sythes, J. H. Smith, Rev. Fr. Dawson, T. Rogers, J. Henderson, W. E. James, T. McNie, Mr. and Mrs. Downes, T. Feige, J. Lloyd, D. Glasgow, Colonel Bland Jameson, W. Core, J. O. M. Skelton, H. Evans, R. G. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. T. Olive, Mr. and Mrs. Summerbell, Mrs. Friar, T. Githens, A. S. Atkins, G. Abraham, P. Young, R. Davidson, T. Willey, Dr. McKenna, A. Nicholl.

Though an unlucky date, to-day should be devoted to a call at Walpoles to see their latest Handkerchiefs, the Christmas Gift par excellence.—Walpoles, of Suffolk street.

Bring your Boys to us for their Christmas Clothing and Outfitting, where you can get an endless variety of Reliable Goods at moderate prices. "Our Boys," 24 Wicklow st.

You can buy an exclusive Model Hat at a genuine bargain price at Marleen's Hat Sale, 31 South Anne street, Dublin.

Furs, Furs, Furs. Fashionable Coats, Stoles, etc., at exceptionally moderate prices. Inspection invited.—Rohu and Son, Manufacturing Furriers, 2 Castle Market, off South William street.

At the recent examinations held in Edinburgh, Mr. D. Reeves, M.R.C.V.S., Reevemount, Athy,

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THE LAST OF THE RHINE ARMY.

IMPRESSIVE SCENE AT WIESBADEN.

ROYAL FUSILIERS MARCH OUT.

PRESENTATION OF HISTORIC FLAG.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
WIESBADEN, Thursday.

The British occupation of the Rhineland came to an end this afternoon. It was impossible to approach General Headquarters for an hour before the time fixed for the final ceremony by reason of the thousands of Germans who congregated to witness the impressive final scenes.

Punctually at 2.15 the band and company of the Second Royal Fusiliers, with Colours uncased, took up positions before the main entrance, and Lieutenant-General Sir William Thwaites, the British Commander-in-Chief, passed through the doors for the last time, to be received with the general salute and the Royal Artillery slow march.

THE FLAG COMES DOWN.

After inspecting the parade, General Thwaites faced the flagstaff, and Regimental Sergeant-Major Saunders slowly lowered the Union Jack as the band and drums crashed out the Royal salute.

It was noticeable that during this historic ceremony the great majority of the German onlookers removed their headgear and stood bareheaded and silent.

There could be no comparison with the scene at Cologne when the British left that city in January, 1926, except it be that of military smartness. The Germans stood a great, silent throng. There was no cheering, no rejoicing.

A FLAG TO CHERISH.

Regimental Sergeant-Major Saunders, who is a Londoner by birth, folded the flag and handed it to Sir William Thwaites. Facing the company, Sir William passed the flag into the keeping of Colonel Howlett, the one-armed commanding officer of the battalion.

In presenting the flag, the General Officer Commanding said that the Second Royal Fusiliers was one of the first units to reach the Rhine on December 13th, 1918, and was now one of the last to leave the Rhine on December 12th, 1929, after exactly eleven years of occupation.

"I give the flag into their keeping," he said. "May they cherish and safeguard it for ever."

SLOW MARCH THROUGH TOWN.

The presentation over, the troops moved off in slow march to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne." Passing along the Wilhelmstrasse of Wiesbaden the band played "The Royal Fusiliers," a ballad of the Crimean War. Then came "Old Comrades," a German air, which set the thousands of German onlookers humming.

Near the station the band broke into the "Marseillaise," and to this air the troops slow-marched after the French battalion that had been drawn up in the station square.

General Guillaumat, the Allied Commander-in-Chief, who had witnessed the flag-lowering ceremony from a window at General Headquarters, stood beside General Thwaites and took the salute as the troops marched into the station.

FRENCH COMRADES' FAREWELL.

In a little while the entertainment was completed. Just before the train moved out General Guillaumat saluted the British Commander in French fashion as the latter leant out of the window of his saloon carriage.

The regimental band of the Eighth French Infantry Regiment played "Auld Lang Syne" as the special began to move out amid a crescendo of cheering, carrying the last two hundred officers and men of the British Army that in 1918 had marched to the Rhine thousands strong.

So ended the British occupation of the Rhineland. The British Army of the Rhine was no more.

GERMAN PRAISE FOR TROOPS.

The scenes at General Headquarters and in the streets were deeply impressive. It is paying the Royal Fusiliers only a well-deserved compliment to state that no regiment in the British Army could have bettered the arms precision and march discipline which they displayed. Every movement was carried out as one man, and the German onlookers who took a tremendous interest in all that occurred were loud in their praises of the military skill and organisation which marked the final ceremony.

Heavy rain in the morning was followed by a bright period, and brilliant sunshine lit up the last scene. It was a coincidence that the sunshine only lasted until the troops entered the station, when the sky became overcast and rain began to fall.

FOUR INVALIDS GO HOME.

On the first special train, which left an hour earlier, there were four bed patients, conveyed in a special hospital coach. One of these was Captain Attoe, of the Second King's Shropshire Light Infantry, the railway transport officer at Wiesbaden main station, who has played a tremendous part in the evacuation of the Rhine Army. He broke down some days ago, and has since been confined to bed.

The troops are not to pass through London, as was originally supposed, but are to proceed from Dover to Colchester by special train to-morrow night. The train will pass round London, so that the capital is to be allowed no glimpse of its own regiment.

AN OLYMPIA INCIDENT

MOTOR CYCLE RACING IN LONDON STREETS.

The Kaye Don and Bobby Howes incident at the opening of the Motor Cycle Show at Olympia was the subject of a question put to the Home Secretary by Dr. Salter (Labour, West Bermondsey) in the House of Commons yesterday.

Dr. Salter asked was the Home Secretary aware that in a race along a crowded thoroughfare—Addison road—Mr. Kaye Don had to mount the pavement, and that he narrowly escaped injuring several persons? Had the police instituted proceedings?

Mr. Clynes replied that the police knew nothing of any such incident. In case of any racing on motor cycles in London streets involving speeds above the legal limit, or driving to the danger of the public, it was the duty of the police to take action when any such offences came under their notice.

Dr. Salter—Is the Home Secretary aware that at least eight daily papers reported the incident fully, and that numbers of eye-witnesses have also written to the Press inquiring why there has been no prosecution?

Mr. Clynes—I can only say that I have satisfied myself that the police have no information.

Is he aware that honourable members of this House were present? asked Sir Frederick Hall.

Major Mackenzie-Wood (Liberal, Banff)—Cannot the Home Secretary now inquire and see whether he can get sufficient evidence to justify a prosecution?

Mr. Clynes—My answer indicates that there has been a complete inquiry and that there is no information. (Cries of "Oh.")

THE CELTIC'S POSITION.

NO DANGER TO SHIPPING.

EFFECT OF CONTINUOUS STORMS.

Mr. Richard Wallace, Chairman of the Cork Harbour Commissioners, in a telegram received last evening, disputes the accuracy of the statement published in the *Irish Times* yesterday concerning the steamship Celtic. Mr. Wallace says:—

"I have just inspected the Celtic, and outwardly no appreciable change has taken place in her condition or position. Some of the decks inboard are strained, but otherwise the hull is intact. The wreck is not abandoned, but salvage work is postponed for the present. There is no danger to shipping or of the entrance to our port being blocked."

Mr. W. Forfar, a representative of the salvage contractors, in an interview yesterday, said that the contractors had met with exceptional conditions in having had to put up with practically a month of continuous storms. They had never had experience of such adverse weather conditions. Only five days' work had been done within the past month on the Celtic, as the result of the gales; but, notwithstanding all she has had to encounter, the position of the ship is none the worse. Some slight damage had been done, and there had been loss of part of the scrap material, which had of necessity to be left on board and which had been hurled by the waves over the hatches.

"The damage done in this way," Mr. Forfar continued, "is merely to the woodwork, and is of such a nature that it can be repaired very quickly. The repairs could be effected in a fortnight.

"Our pumps received some damage, also the pipe lines from the air pumps principally, and to repair these would mean the erection of new pumps, a work which would be somewhat costly.

"As far as the ship is concerned, she has settled down a little bit more. Admittedly, we do not like it; but, at the same time, she is intact, and the hull as strong as far down as we can see. There is, in my opinion, no truth in the statement that she has broken her back. It would be plainly evident if her back was broken, because cracks would extend right up through all the decks, and there is no such indication. There would also be evidence of sagging in such a case, whereas, as she is, the Celtic is in perfect alignment. At the moment she has gone down a bit more at the head and up at the stern, due to water getting into the head, but to right that is only a matter of pumping out the excess water."

FURTHER WORK.

Mr. Forfar stated that work would be continued during the winter on the Celtic in a somewhat limited way. The demolition work would still be carried on to the extent necessary for the subsequent floating off. They were at present constructing an eight-foot wide suspension gangway between Roche's Point and the ship, and expect to have that completed before Christmas. There was nothing more than temporary abandonment of the original idea of refloating.

SIX FISHERMEN DROWNED.

FRENCH SKIPPER SAVES THREE OF THE CREW.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Thursday.

A message from Cap Breton Landes tells a story of sea danger and heroism. A sardine trawler was returning to port at night time with a fine catch, but turned turtle on being struck by a huge roller. The skipper, clinging to the keel, heroically saved three of the crew. Five others swam to shore, but six were drowned.

A DISTRESSED LINER.

FURTHER FROM COAST YESTERDAY.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
CORK, Thursday.

The Elder Dempster liner Aba was unable to reach Queenstown to-day owing to further heavy gales which sprung up during last night. At ten o'clock this morning the vessel was ninety miles off the coast, or thirty miles further out than she had been from the coast for the past three days. Connection has now been effected by the tug Swartzee, and it is expected that she will reach Queenstown early to-morrow morning.

GREAT HURRICANE DAMAGE IN FIJI.

STATE AID FOR DESTITUTE NATIVES.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
SUVA, FIJI, Friday.

A hurricane started in the north of Fiji this week. It struck Fiji, travelling south-east, and struck the western end of Vanu-Alevu through the Koro Sea.

The hurricane will probably strike the southern part of the Lau islands, and it is likely that the banana areas will be seriously damaged. The cocoanut plantations have been damaged, and next year's crop probably will be reduced by a third.

There have been heavy floods in the Rewa valley, and hundreds of East Indians, who were marooned, were rescued by boats. There has been no loss of life in the group, though there are unconfirmed rumours that people have perished.

The auxiliary schooner, Helena, is a total wreck, but there were no casualties.

At Labasa, the sugar centre, many buildings have been demolished, and others have been damaged. There is also heavy flooding, twelve miles in extent.

Hundreds of cattle have been lost in the Rewa valley.

The Government is giving relief to destitute Indians.

The lowest barometer reading was 28.44.

LEADERS OF PRISON MUTINY.

SURVIVORS TO BE TRIED FOR MURDER.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
AUBURN, NEW YORK, Thursday.

A sullen silence reigned to-day throughout the Auburn State Prison, where yesterday the walls echoed with the rattle of machine guns and the crack of pistols. The tear gas had cleared from the corridors, and an armed peace had taken the place of mutiny.

The bodies of eight convicts lie at the local undertaker's, and the surviving ringleaders of the outbreak spent to-day in the punishment cells, awaiting trial for the murder of the head keeper, and faced with the probability of death in the electric chair.

The mercury stood at twenty degrees Fahr. during the night, and an icy wind blew through the cell windows which had been shattered by bullets, while the convicts sat huddled in blankets, muttering imprecations alike against prisons and prison riots.

Investigations have shown that ten rifles were recently missed from the prison arsenal in mysterious circumstances.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE REDUCED.

NO VARIATION IN IRELAND.

SOME FACTORS IN THE SITUATION.

Yesterday the Bank of England reduced its discount rate from 5½ to 5 per cent. The Irish banks' rate remains at 6 per cent., but loans on Government Stocks transferred are reduced to 5 per cent. This change, however, brings no relief to those who use the largest proportion of the money deposited in the Irish banks.

When the Bank of England rate is 5 per cent. or under, the Irish banks' rate is fixed at 1 per cent. above it; and when the English rate exceeds 5 per cent., the Irish rate ranges only ½ per cent. higher.

At the same time, however, the Irish banks have reduced their deposit allowances by ½ per cent. all round, so that the anomalous position arises of having the benefit both ways.

The following is the official notice:—

IRISH BANKS' RATES.

"The rates to be charged by the Irish banks for advances and allowed by them on deposits on and from this date (December 12th) are as follows:—

"Irish banks' rate	6 per cent.
"Loans on Government Stock transferred	5 „ „
"Deposits under £500	2½ „ „
"Deposits of £500 and over	3 „ „

"The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation."

VARIATIONS THIS YEAR.

	British.	Irish.
February 7	5½ per cent.	6 per cent.
September 26	6½ „ „	7 „ „
October 31	6 „ „	6½ „ „
November 21	5½ „ „	6 „ „
December 12	5 „ „	6 „ „

INEVITABLE DECISION.

CHANGED CONDITIONS.

FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Yesterday's further reduction in the Bank rate to 5 per cent. may be regarded as due to the desire of the authorities to give trade and commerce the benefit of cheaper money before it has been possible to make good the whole of the heavy gold loss experienced earlier in the year. There was some doubt whether the change would take place yesterday, but a 5 per cent. official minimum had been regarded as a certainty within a comparatively short period, owing to the great change in international monetary conditions which followed the breakdown of the Stock Exchange speculation in America. The Bank has been receiving gold in very large amounts of late, the result largely of the favourable movements in the exchanges produced by the 6½ per cent. Bank rate enforced on September 26 last.

It is possible, too, that the directors had definite knowledge of an exceptionally large gold shipment from New York, possibly to London, but in any case to a quarter where its receipt would preclude the likelihood of foreign demands upon our own stock of the metal. Further, the previous 5½ per cent. official minimum had become ineffective because of the fall in market discount rates to about ¾ below that level. This circumstance is not really a reason for lowering the official minimum, but the fall in bill rates was a reflection of the altered conditions previously mentioned.

A WELCOME STEP.

Cheaper money will naturally be very welcome in trade circles; for, although it can be shown that the increase in costs of production through a 1 per cent. rise in the Bank rate is very slight, dear money has a considerable sentimental effect. It tends to diminish enterprise, and it may weaken public confidence. The lower Bank rate will have a favourable effect upon security values, and may possibly help towards the recovery of markets from the greatly weakening effect of this year's numerous unfavourable developments.

As regards the future, Lombard street has virtually decided that a further reduction in the official minimum cannot be expected for some months to come, and, perhaps, may not take place until the gold position of the Bank of England has been restored to something like the figure shown before the directors were reluctantly compelled to raise their rate to 6½ per cent. towards the end of September last.

The Bank rate is seldom reduced so late in the year. The previous occasion of a reduction in December was on December 1, 1910, when the rate was lowered from 5 to 4½ per cent. There was a like change on December 9, 1909, but, apart from these two occasions, one has to go back to December 10, 1891, when the rate came down from 4 to 3½ per cent. On December 4, 1890, there was a reduction from 6 to 5 per cent., the previous decline in the last month of the year having been as far back as December 11, 1873, when the rate was reduced from 5 to 4½ per cent. The last occasion of a reduction from 5½ to 5 per cent. was on November 3, 1921. More usually the Bank rate is advanced late in the year.

BRITISH INDUSTRY BENEFITED.

The Secretary of the National Union of Manufacturers yesterday said to a reporter: I think that the reduction of the Bank rate will undoubtedly have a beneficial effect on industry generally. Unfortunately, of course, with all the increased expenditure which the Government's social service programme necessitates, the benefit that manufacturers will derive from the reduction will, to a very large extent, be negatived. Nevertheless, the reduction will be welcome. No doubt, now that the wave of speculation in Wall street has diminished, markets are generally becoming more and more stable.

SWEDISH BANK RATE DOWN.

A Reuter message from Copenhagen says that the Swedish Rigsbank has reduced its discount rate by one-half per cent., to 5 per cent., as from to-day.

RECOGNITION OF RUSSIA.

DR. D'ARCY'S VIEWS.

In connection with the proposed "national protest" against British recognition of the Soviet Government, the Archbishop of Armagh (the Most Rev. C. F. D'Arcy) has written as follows to Prebendary Gough:—

"I am most heartily with you in the protest against official relations with a bitterly anti-Christian Government, and I cannot but express disappointment that so many leaders of Christian opinion in England have not joined in the protest. We seem to be losing the sense of righteousness in national and international relationships.

"We are ready to join hands with Antichrist if we think it will help our trade. And some weakly justify this action on the grounds that we shall be able to exert a good influence.

"I have this much respect for the Soviet Government that I cannot imagine their being affected by a friendship which is avowedly based on an expectation of financial profits."

TWO KILLED IN CANADIAN 'PLANE CRASH.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
STRATFORD, ONTARIO, Thursday.

The two occupants, pilot and passenger, of an aeroplane were killed to-day when it crashed on a farm near here. The passenger was Mr. Louis Ernest, of Mount Forest, but the pilot has not yet been identified.

LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE.

MR. HENDERSON'S HOPEFUL VIEW.

JAPAN'S EARNEST OF GOOD-WILL.

SEEKING A MINIMUM STANDARD.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, Foreign Secretary, in proposing the toast of "France," at the dinner of the United Association of Great Britain and France, in London last night, spoke of Britain's attitude to the coming Naval Conference, and expressed the hope that it would lead to a World Disarmament Conference.

We now stand on the threshold of new and heavy tasks, he said. We have to complete and execute the programme on which we agreed at the Assembly in September last. We have to take up again what, in the past, has been the thorny question of disarmament. The conversations between the Prime Minister and the President of the United States had no other purpose than to prepare the ground for the Five-Power Conference. In seeking to remove difficulties we did not dream at any moment of making any narrow or exclusive Anglo-Saxon Treaty.

NO RIGID PROPOSALS.

Let me say at once that the understanding which our Prime Minister happily reached with the President of the United States does not mean that we will go to the Conference with any rigid, or cut-and-dried proposals, which take account of British interests only. On the contrary, we shall endeavour throughout, by negotiation and co-operation, to bring about that reduction and limitation of armaments which is in the common interest of all.

The other delegations will find that we shall not be difficult; on the contrary, they will find that we will work with them in all sincerity to reach the best agreement.

Mr. Henderson paid a tribute to M. Briand, who, he said, was, with Mr Kellogg, joint author of the Pact of Paris. He concluded: It was Monsieur Briand who said that at Locarno the statesmen who there assembled had talked a new language—they had talked European. I know that when they come to London, in a few weeks' time, he and his colleagues will come to talk with us and with our friends from the United States, Italy and Japan, the language not of Europe, but of mankind.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

POSSIBLE SCALING DOWN.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, Thursday.

Outlining Japan's policy at the Naval Conference in London as a "minimum defence strength standard," Mr. Reijiro Wakatsuki, the head of the Japanese delegation, which arrived here yesterday, stated that his country proposed "no menace to anyone, and wanted no one to be a menace to our country."

Admiral Takarabe, the Japanese Minister of Marine, who is also a delegate to the Conference, expressed the hope that the London Conference would prove beneficial.

The delegation is leaving for Washington to-night.

Mr. Wakatsuki paid a tribute to the Kellogg Pact. He declared that a reduction, rather than a mere limitation, of armaments should be the natural outcome of the agreement.

"There is no reason," he said, "why, by a reduction all round, armaments should not be scaled down to a considerable extent. If the other participating Powers come to such an agreement, Japan stands ready to reduce her naval strength to an extent which will be proportionately necessary. We are not proposing to possess any equipment beyond that which is necessary for our defence in the adjacent waters of Japan. The very fact that Japan is not demanding, and will not demand, numerical parity with the United States or the British Navy is itself sufficient proof that not an iota of the idea of an attack has entered into the considerations of the Japanese Navy."

Mr. Wakatsuki added that Japan would urge the retention of the submarine at the Conference owing to its effectiveness as a defensive weapon.

THE OPTIONAL CLAUSE

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S POSITION.

Criticisms of possible consequences of Britain's signing the Optional Clause of the Permanent Court of International Justice are answered in a White Paper issued yesterday.

After dealing in detail with various objections, the White Paper states that "fears which have been expressed as to the consequences of the signature to the Optional Clause are without foundation. The broad question remains: 'Is it safe to trust British interests to the decision of the Permanent Court?' The question may be transposed: 'Is it wise to leave British interests without any safeguarding except war, which we have undertaken not to wage?'

"His Majesty's Government believes that to the last question only one answer can be returned. They hold that the whole course of international development for many years past has been in the direction of the substitution of arbitration for war, and they rejoice to think that there now exists an International Court whose competence and impartiality are unchallenged, to which may safely be referred all international disputes of, at any rate, a justifiable character.

"Such a reform is, in their view, an essential part of the effort seriously to implement the undertakings of the Pact of Peace, and to utilise the early years of peace in creating effective safeguards against war before its realities have been forgotten."

RUSSIA AND BRITISH COMMUNISTS.

ALLEGED CONTRIBUTION OF MONEY.

The Home Secretary, in the House of Commons yesterday, informed Sir Alfred Knox (Conservative, Wycombe) that he had no information that the Communist Party of Great Britain had recently received money from the Third International.

Is it not a fact, asked Sir Alfred, that money has been received in order to start a Communist daily paper?

Mr. Clynes said that he had seen a statement in the papers, but the Home Office had no information.

NO CHANGE IN NEW YORK BANK RATE.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

No change in the re-discount rate of the New York Federal Reserve Bank was announced to-day.

STATE AID FOR FISHERMEN.

MINISTER OUTLINES PROSOSALS.

PERCENTAGE OF CATCH TO REPAY LOAN.

At a public meeting held at Arklow yesterday, Mr. A. Brennan presiding, Mr. Fionan Lynch, Minister for Fisheries, outlined proposals for the improvement of the fishing industry.

The proposed scheme was, he said, based on the co-operative principle. At the outset ready money would be needed, and the State would have to provide the money for administration purposes, for the purpose of organisation, and the provision of loans to the fishermen. The security for the loans would be the actual catch made by the fishermen.

BOARD TO HANDLE CATCH.

The Board, he said, would make loans to all fit persons and fishermen with reputations. The loans would be made on certain conditions, one of which was that as long as the fisherman was indebted to the Board his catch would be handled by the Board.

After the running expenses had been allowed for, and before the proceeds of the catch had been divided between owner and crew, a certain percentage of it would be deducted on all occasions, whether the catch was small or large.

This deduction would go towards paying insurance on the security, towards providing a fund for maintenance of the boat and gear, and towards the reduction of the loan and interest. In this way, the borrower who had a run of luck would find himself very quickly clearing off his debt.

FAR-REACHING RESULTS.

Concluding, Mr. Lynch said that the preliminary work for the creation of the organisation was going ahead, and he himself had very considerable faith that it would have very far-reaching results, which would benefit the fishermen in many ways.

Dr. O'Higgins, who also spoke, dealt with the land annuities, and said that the farmer had his land purchased for him by money subscribed by bond-holders. That money was paid in cash on his behalf, and on condition that he repaid it over a period of sixty-seven years, with 2½ per cent. interest. If the farmers of Ireland repudiated their land annuities and their liabilities they had no more claim to the land than "the fellow round the corner."

Mr. Dermot G. O'Mahony, T.D., also spoke.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Lynch interviewed several fishermen, who placed their grievances before him individually, and they were promised all the support possible.

RARE PARLIAMENTARY EXPERIENCE.

BOTH HOUSES TO SIT ON CHRISTMAS EVE.

Both Houses of Parliament will sit on Christmas Eve, says the Press Association's Lobby Correspondent. The last occasion on which pressure of business required the two Houses to meet on Christmas Eve was in 1888—forty-one years ago — the principal legislative measure of the session being the Local Government Act. Nine years ago, however, legislators were not released for their Christmas holiday until after midnight on December 23.

During the sitting of December 23, 1920, the two Houses came to loggerheads over certain provisions in the Agriculture Bill introduced by the Coalition Government, and the wrangle continued for so many hours—the bill passing backwards and forwards along the corridor between the two Houses—that "Big Ben" was striking the hour of midnight when the Lord Chancellor rose to read the King's Speech proroguing Parliament. Christmas Eve had arrived when the Commons returned to their own Chamber to hear the Speaker read the King's Speech.

WATERFORD'S NEW WHARF

TO BE OPENED NEXT WEEK.

When President Cosgrave arrives in Waterford on Monday to open the new deep water wharf, which has been named after the late Sir Henry Forde, he will be presented with a beautiful silver shears, of Irish design, by the Waterford Harbour Commissioners.

With this shears he will cut the ribbon across the wharf, which will then be open for trade.

A HATRY COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

£2,677,000 DEFICIENCY.

The affairs of Corporation and General Securities, Ltd., another of the Hatry group of companies, were discussed yesterday at a meeting of the creditors and shareholders.

The Official Receiver reported that the winding-up order was made on the petition of the Marquess of Winchester, chairman of the board of directors, and the accounts under the liquidation showed total liabilities £3,710,239, of which nearly £2,000,000 was expected to rank for dividend. The assets (valued at £14,326) were absorbed in the preferential claim, and the deficiency with regard to shareholders was estimated at £2,677,120.

The Official Receiver added that the company was registered in December, 1926, to carry on the business of a finance company, with a nominal capital of £1,100,000. The company was formed by Clarence C. Hatry, who was appointed the managing director at £5,000 a year. He, however, resigned in April, 1928, when he was appointed deputy chairman and technical advisor for five years at £3,500 a year, in addition to directors' fees.

The company carried out the issue of Corporation and Colonial loans amounting altogether to £23,500,000, in respect of which a gross loss of £157,909 was sustained.

There was, so commented the Official Receiver, no doubt that grave irregularities occurred in connection with the company's business, and in respect of them criminal proceedings were now pending against Mr. Hatry, Mr. Daniels and Mr. Dixon. It was such irregularities which had brought about the failure of the company. As those proceedings were pending, he did not propose to say anything more in the matter now.

A resolution was passed for the appointment of Sir Gilbert Garnsey as liquidator.

GOLD FROM NEW YORK TO LONDON.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
NEW YORK, Thursday.

Wall Street learned to-day of the shipment of 11,000,000 dollars in gold bars from New York to London, sent in the Bremen on Saturday by the Irving Trust Company to the Midland Bank. This marks the resumption of the movement of gold to England for the first time since the outflow of approximately 500,000,000 dollars in gold, which began during 1927 and ended early in the summer of this year.

LATE NEWS.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH "THE TIMES."

COAL MINES BILL.

RISKS TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT.

In a leading article upon the Coal Mines Bill *The Times* of to-day observes: There can be no concealment of the fact that the bill will permit of an increase of the price of coal in the home market, and that it is designed also to make possible an increase of the export price in certain markets abroad. Among colliery-owners there is a widespread opinion that export prices have been unduly depressed and that some increase should be possible without detriment to the volume of trade. As to the price in the home market, one thing to be borne in mind is that the price of coal at a given time may not fully represent the price to the country. The events of three years ago are a recent memory. A very heavy price was paid for coal that year. This is not the time to discuss the merits of those events. They have been judged already. All that need be said now is that the country has not yet finished paying the price of a conflict of which the root cause was the adjustment of costs of production to market prices. The miners, unwisely led, resisted an unavoidable adjustment of their working conditions, and suffered heavily when the conflict went against them; they lost and are sore. The country lost, and would like to avoid the repetition of so costly an experience. Nothing in the Government's bill provides any express safeguard against another misfortune of the same kind.

The new Court of Appeal on wages and other conditions of work, which is to be called the National Industrial Board, may succeed in rallying reasonable opinion in times of emergency; but the danger in the future, as in the past, will be in the submergence of the reasonable mind. A return of better times, permitting an improvement of the miners' standard of living, would establish conditions for abating, if not for banishing, grievances. The conditions must improve first. To change working conditions before industrial conditions warrant the change is to invite a disaster. The Government are taking a risk, and a known risk, in fixing for an early date the reduction of the statutory minimum hours of work. They have been in fetters with a promise which they are redeeming in part. They, and those who drove them to it, must face their responsibility for the consequences. Even more disquieting is the fact that this arrangement as to hours is only provisional. In eighteen months' time, as the law now stands, and this bill leaves it, the length of the working day will be reduced—not only in some coalfields, but in all—by another half-hour. The industry is to be given no time to settle down.

THE QUOTA.

The quota system, adds *The Times*, is represented in the amendment of the Liberal Party as giving a vested interest to inefficient pits. It all depends on the fixing of the standard tonnage. If the standard tonnage has close relation to present productive capacity, the quota will reflect that capacity and will give a measure of the relative values of individual undertakings. A careful and thorough method of fixing the standard tonnage is essential. After that the relation of one undertaking to another will become apparent, and there will exist a means of assessing the worth of amalgamations which to-day is wanting. But, again, it must be said that a scheme merely to control output and prices is not enough. It may, however, provide a breathing space in which the industry can proceed to the further measures that will bring it fully abreast of the requirements of the age. The breathing space must not be a resting space, and even in this breathing space the industry must not be allowed to prey on other industries or on the private consumer.

THE "APPLE CART" IN SAXONY.

EDUCATION MINISTER'S MISGIVINGS.

In a message from Berlin last night *The Times* Correspondent says:—According to the Dresden Correspondent of the *Berliner Tageblatt*, the Saxon Minister of Education "expressed misgivings" to-day to the Intendant of the State Theatre with regard to the proposed production of Mr. Shaw's play, "The Apple Cart," entitled, in the German version, "The Emperor of America." Rehearsals had already begun.

The Ministry of Education, which at the moment is in the charge of the State Premier, Dr. Bunger, of the German People's Party, did not express any opinion on the contents and intellectual value of the play, but suggested that a play which sought to treat the idea of democracy ironically might well be produced at any private theatre, but not at the State theatre of a Republic. The *Berliner Tageblatt* comments dryly that it cannot see the slightest legal ground for a prohibition, and could only expect, in the event of a prohibition, a loud outburst of international ridicule. "Moreover," it adds, "we believe that democracy is strong enough to stand the irony of the great English writer."

LINERS STORM-BATTERED.

A Lloyd's New York message, dated yesterday, states that the British liner Berengaria has met with heavy weather and suffered deck damage. The German liner Bremen, which is expected in New York on Friday morning, has also met heavy weather, and has suffered deck damage forward.

REBEL ROUT NEAR CANTON.

FIVE THOUSAND REPORTED KILLED IN BATTLE.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.
HONG KONG, Thursday.

Chang Fat-Kwai's troops (the "Ironsides") have retreated to Fahyuan, twenty-seven miles north of Canton, and the fighting has died down.

The Cantonese claim the capture of over one thousand prisoners. The losses on both sides have been heavy, and it is estimated that five thousand were killed.

The celebration at Wuchow on Tuesday of the occupation of Samshui by Kwangsi troops was premature. The report of the fall of Samshui was a piece of Kwangsi propaganda.

The fighting for Canton apparently began on Monday, and at one time the attacking force was within nineteen miles of the city. The Kwangsi Generals joined forces with Chang Fat-Kwai from the West, Chang himself having come south from Hunan.

FATAL FILM STUDIO FIRE.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
NEW YORK, Thursday.

Two officials of the Pathé Motion Picture Studios here were arraigned in the Homicide Court this morning on charges of manslaughter and culpable negligence in connection with Tuesday's terrible fire there, in which ten persons, including five girls, lost their lives, and a score of others were severely injured.

The men in question, who were arrested last night, are J. O'Flinn, vice-president of the Pathé Film Co., and H. F. Lalley, manager of the company. Both have been released on bail until December 19th.

Mr. Walker, the Mayor of New York, has issued a statement declaring that if there is any evidence of the violation of the city fire regulations or bribery he will himself act as a committing magistrate to investigate the case.

SHADOW OVER COAL BILL.

OPPOSITION PARTIES' AMENDMENTS.

MAY DEFEAT BILL AND GOVERNMENT

VIEWS OF THE OWNERS AND MEN'S LEADERS.

A SHADOW hangs heavily over the British Government's Coal Bill, and may end in the defeat of the bill and of the Government.

The bill provides for marketing schemes, regulation of output and fixing of prices, establishment of a National Board and reduction of working hours.

The Conservative and Liberal parties have separately announced their intention to propose amendments to the bill, and if both Opposition parties go into the Lobby together, the fate of the bill will be sealed.

The Miners' Federation Executive met yesterday, and agreed to give the new bill "unqualified support."

The committee of colliery owners have decided to refer the bill to the districts for detailed consideration. The majority of the owners are stated to be opposed to a National Board and reduction of hours.

THE OWNERS' VIEWS.

BILL REFERRED TO DISTRICTS.

The Committee of the Colliery Owners, at a meeting at the offices of the Mining Association in London yesterday, decided to refer the Government's Coal Bill, particularly that part relating to the marketing scheme, to the district colliery owners for their detailed consideration.

So far as the National Board and Reduction of Hours sections of the bill are concerned, it can be stated on good authority that the majority of the owners are still resolutely and unalterably opposed to both those proposals. They hold firmly to the view, in spite of anything, the Government may say, that the reduction of hours will adversely affect the wage-paying capacity of the industry, and that the National Board, in view of the machinery already existing in the districts is unnecessary.

The West Yorkshire owners, in a statement issued last night, state that the main proposals of the bill are not only sound, but essential.

MINERS' FEDERATION.

SUPPORT FOR THE BILL.

The Executive of the Miners' Federation, which met in London yesterday, discussed the bill.

An official report stated that the Secretary had prepared an explanatory memorandum, he having been in touch with the Government with regard to the meaning of various clauses in the bill. The committee examined the bill clause by clause, and agreed that the officials should meet the mining members of Parliament to discuss the bill with them. It was further decided that the Federation should give unqualified support to the second reading of the bill and that the Executive would examine any further amendments and suggestions for improvements that might be put forward in the course of the discussion in the House of Commons.

TWO AMENDMENTS.

(FROM THE PRESS ASSOCIATION LOBBY CORRESPONDENT.)

Following a meeting of the Liberal Parliamentary Party at the House of Commons last night, Mr. Lloyd George gave notice of a motion for the rejection of the Coal Mines Bill when it comes up for second reading in the House of Commons next week. The terms of the Liberal amendment to the second reading are:—"This House, while favouring a reduction of miners' hours and the establishment of a Coal Miners' National Industrial Board, cannot approve a bill which does nothing to promote the reorganisation of the industry and secure a reduction of costs of production to higher efficiency, but which, on the contrary, would give a statutory vested interest to inefficient pits, would curtail the producton of efficient pits, and would subsidise the coal supplied to competing manufacturers abroad, while increasing the price of coal to British industries and imposing a heavy burden on consumers in general."

THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION.

The Conservative Party also is opposed to the bill, and intends to move an amendment to the

PROTESTANTS AND IRISH.

THE BISHOP OF CASHEL ON NATIONAL IDEALS.

BISHOP FOY'S SCHOOL, WATERFORD.

The Right Rev. Dr. Miller, Bishop of Cashel, yesterday attended the distribution of prizes at Bishop Foy's Endowed School, Waterford. In the course of his address, Dr. Miller congratulated the headmaster and his staff on an excellent year's work. Stating that three pupils had been sent forward to the university, he said that one of them had already been awarded first Classical Scholarship; the second had won the Mathematical Sizarship, and the third had received a junior exhibition. There were six boys on the school roll who were preparing to enter the Divinity School of the Irish Church. The general level of education in the school was very satisfactory, and the inspectors' reports were good.

I am brought, Dr. Miller continued, into the closest touch with the school, and it is delightful to notice the happy home life which the pupils so manifestly enjoy. Punishments are practically non-existent, and in health, happiness and education the school occupies deservedly a very high position. The Governors and, I feel sure, the parents warmly appreciate Mr. Seymour's remarkable kindness and the extreme care which he takes of their children's interest. The pupils are not merely taught so many subjects *per* day, but the future of the pupil is carefully considered and his studies directed accordingly. The fine result is seen in the awards which the pupils have received in the university and in business life. This seems to me to be the only sound educational method, and it is only in this sense that subjects are made compulsory in the work of the school.

KNOWLEDGE OF IRISH.

We have complied with the requirements of the Department of Education regarding the teaching of the Irish language, and any boy or girl who wishes to prepare for a situation in which a knowledge of Irish is essential has the means of education at hand. I feel sure that there will be unanimous agreement that where boys and girls had decided upon a calling in life that only those subjects which qualified them for that position should be made compulsory. Parents will, of course, consider with care the future of their children, and they will always draw a marked distinction between a subject which is of importance and that which is not.

We are, however, reminded that the cultivation of a national spirit in this country is essential. Let me say, in all good temper, that I agree, provided there is agreement as to the meaning of a "national spirit." The principal ingredient in the cultivation of a national spirit is not found, in my opinion, in a language, but in the love of country; and I certainly claim to be as fully qualified in this respect as the warmest supporter of an exclusive tongue for Ireland.

I speak for my own diocese, and I can say that they love their country with a wholehearted affection, and that to force them to learn and speak a particular language in order that their love of country may be intensified is simply a folly, which will bring its own punishment. We are quite willing that our boys and girls should learn the language accurately and well when they are competing for any position where it is compulsory, but beyond that it will be difficult to induce thinking people to go.

We do not believe that we are unreasonable. We are anxious, deeply so, to work together with other Irishmen for the good of the country. We are willing to give time and energy to advance Irish interests, and we hope very sincerely that no unnecessary stumbling block will be placed in our way.

NATIONAL IDEALS.

What is troubling the minds of a great many Irish people of all classes and creeds is that the word "national" may, if it has not already, become a much too exclusive term. Frankly, those whom I represent would profoundly regret this. Is there to be no place in this country's life for those who cannot share in an adoration for what are called "Irish ideals," although such people love the country and spend their money in helping to maintain it?

The fear of this is hanging over many people as a dark cloud. If this can be dispelled, then new views and a new outlook upon this question will speedily develop; but the trend of things seems to be all the other way. Some of us have watched recent indications with profound uneasiness. It looks as if not only friendliness with a great neighbouring country, but even commercial prosperity were becoming secondary in importance to a desire to become what is, unhappily, termed "national."

There would be no use in my asking the parents of the children in my diocese to give their whole-hearted attention to the development of Irish ideals among their children, whilst the ultimate object remains so uncertain.

It is true that they are yielding to compulsion, but the zeal, the deep heart-felt affection, the willing mind which seeks its object eagerly, devotedly, successfully are entirely absent.

In the meantime, we will continue to seek our country's progress with steadiness and hope.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATES.

In the course of his statement on the year's work, the Headmaster (the Rev. F. W. Seymour, M.A.) said:—It is not usual to publish the names of unsuccessful candidates, but the performance of one of our candidates at the recent Intermediate examinations was so meritorious that I intend to give his name. R. H. Matson failed in the examination, having passed with honours in Latin, Mathematics, Science and Drawing, and passed in English, History and Geography. The reason for this astounding result is, of course, Irish. This candidate obtained 54.3 per cent. in the entire examination, passed in six subjects—four with honours—but receives no certificate.

The system of marking at this examination is so remarkable, the Headmaster continued, that I find another candidate who passed in Irish and Drawing and failed in everything else, but passes the examination as a whole. Another candidate passes in Irish, Science and Drawing only, and receives his certificate. The former student obtained 36.9 per cent. and the latter 36 per cent.

You are naturally incredulous, but here is the results book, and anyone who wishes can see for himself what value can be attached to a certificate which announces that the recipient passed in Irish and Drawing. I wonder how the Minister can bring himself to sign it. I really think that the Ministry might consider seriously the possibility of issuing certificates to students who failed, stating the subjects in which they passed, and passed with honours. Such certificate would carry far more weight in any civilised country in the world than some of the certificates which the same Ministry is issuing as a result of the recent examination.

TWO BELGIAN AIRMEN KILLED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
BRUSSELS, Thursday.

From Courtrai comes the news that an aeroplane at the Mevelghem Aerodrome was caught in a gust of wind, and crashed today. Of two occupants, a non-commissioned officer and a pilot under training, the former was killed on the spot, and the latter died while being taken to hospital.

Twenty-five convicts have escaped from Tehuacan Jail after assaulting and wounding a number of the keepers, according to a telegram from Tehuacan, Puebla.—(Reuter.)

Cleans while Polishing.
Science Furniture Cream.
9d. Glass Jars.
1/6 Art Stoneware Jars.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

INSURANCE BILL.

SECOND READING OF NEW CLAUSE.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.
WESTMINSTER, Thursday.

In the House of Commons this afternoon Mr. Snowden announced that he was considering a number of suggestions—applicable to various trades—as to procedure that might be adopted in the event of the repeal of duties affecting them in the next Budget, so as to mitigate any uncertainty which existed in these trades and enable business to be carried on without interruption. While he could not commit himself to any of these suggestions, he hoped that it might be possible for him to make some statement on the whole matter before the House rose for Christmas.

INSURANCE BILL'S NEW CLAUSE.

Before the report stage of the Unemployment Insurance Bill was resumed, considerable discussion took place on a motion by Major Elliot to recommit the bill in respect of the new clause which the Government had prepared in substitution for the original provision dealing with "genuinely seeking work" as a condition of receiving benefit. The new clause, he said, contained far-reaching alterations which would add to the cost of the measure, and it was necessary that it should be adequately discussed, notwithstanding the desire of Labour members to begin their holidays. His argument was enforced by Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, who said that the new clause altered the bill from top to bottom, and was not merely a matter of redrafting.

The motion to recommit the bill was defeated by 287 votes to 192.

THE CLAUSE MOVED.

The Attorney-General (Sir William Jowett) then moved the proposed new clause. It provided that, if on a claim for benefit it was proved by an officer of the Ministry of Labour that the claimant after a situation in any suitable employment had been notified of and had refused without good cause to apply for or refuse such situation he should be disqualified from receiving benefit for a period of six weeks or for such shorter period as might be determined by the Court of Referees or Umpire. There were sub-sections to the clause which laid it down that the employment offered would not be suitable if it had to do with a stoppage of work caused by a trade dispute or was not in conformity with the general conditions in the district.

This new clause, said Sir William Jowett, represented the collective sense of the House, as expressed in Committee, the principle arrived at being that the man who was genuinely seeking work should not be deprived of benefit, and that the "work-shy" man should. At the same time, he recognised that the responsibility for the new clause was his. It was quite true that the clause would cost the Chancellor of the Exchequer a lot of money, but it should be remembered that it was money which would otherwise have to be paid out by the guardians of the poor.

Sir W. Greaves Lord thought that the real objection to the clause was that it imposed no obligation on a man to show any personal initiative. On this point, Mr. Tom Shaw reminded him that he, in his profession (as a barrister), was debarred from exercising initiative, and had to wait until someone came along and put work into his hands. (Laughter.)

Sir W. Greaves Lord—But we do not ask the community to support us when we cannot get work.

Mr. Shaw, continuing, disclaimed any intention of trying to score debating points.

Mr. Hayday, on the question of want of initiative on the part of the unemployed, quoted the case where 600 workless men applied for six advertised vacancies, and said that such cases could be multiplied all over the country.

Major Salmon stated that the policy of finding money instead of work for the unemployed was hopelessly wrong, and might very well lead to a severe crisis in the country.

EXPERIENCE IN BELFAST.

Mr. W. E. D. Allen, speaking on the conditions in Belfast, said that a large number of people there were out of work, and they had not the slightest chance of getting any. From time to time many of the unemployed people came to him with their papers marked "not seriously seeking work." He had sent such men to his own manager in Belfast, and he found that in every case they reported themselves the next morning. (Labour cheers.) In his opinion, it was not fair to run the risk of doing an injustice to men who were conscientiously seeking work. Such men were in a rotten position to begin with, and, metaphorically speaking, they were given a kick and insulted when they were told that they were not genuinely seeking work. (Labour cheers.)

After further debate the clause was read a second time by 290 votes to 159.

DUBLIN RELIEF BILL.

BUSINESS MEN TAKE ACTION.

A special meeting of representatives from the Various Traders' Association was held in the Wicklow Hotel, Dublin, yesterday evening, Mr. W. J. Kelly, of W. J. Kelly, Ltd., presiding.

Also present:—Messrs. Allshire, Bird, Mahon, and Finlay-Mulligan, of the Wicklow Street Traders' Association; Messrs. Dunbar, Healy and Berkerry, of the Irish House Owners' Protection Association; Mr. D. Kellett, representing the Merchant Drapers' Association and the George's Street Ratepayers' Association; Messrs. M. J. Moran and M. E. Lucey, representing the Talbot Street Traders' Association; Messrs. J. J. Harte and Charles Sullivan, representing the Retail Confectioners' Association; Messrs. P. J. Kinahan and H. Napier, representing the Wholesale Tobacconists and Allied Trades' Association, and Mr. A. Fannin, of the Grafton Street Traders' Association.

The Chairman stated that the meeting was called to consider what steps should be taken with a view to having the proposed bill amended so as to distribute this charge over the entire State. While he was quite prepared to share his meal with the needy poor, he felt that this bill sought to impose an unfair and unjust burden on the ratepayers of Dublin.

He felt that the Minister for Local Government and Public Health should be approached, and if the Minister failed to give satisfaction he should be told quite plainly that the business men of Dublin would not give their support, either moral or financial, to whatever party was in power who treated the business section with such utter disregard for their rights and interests. And he would go so far as to say that candidates should be placed in the field at the next election to oppose those who were forcing this measure on the ratepayers.

Mr. Kellett, on behalf of the Merchant Drapers' Association and the George's Street Ratepayers' Association, stated he was entirely in agreement with the views already expressed. Dublin was, he stated, the dumping ground for all the undesirables from the country parts, and he felt that the sooner the business men took the matter in hand the better it would be for themselves.

Mr. H. J. Hart, President of the Retail Confectioners' Association, urged the holding of a public meeting without delay, so that the community at large would understand once and for all that the business men of Dublin could no longer be referred to as antique furniture.

The following resolution, proposed by Mr. Berkerry and seconded by Mr. Hart, was passed unanimously:—

"(1) That this meeting forms itself into an association, to be called the Business Men's Progressive Association.

"(2) That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be asked to receive a deputation immediately.

"(3) That failing the deputation being received a public meeting be held forthwith."

LIMERICK MAN AND AN ULSTER PIG.

WHY HE SHOT IT.

YESTERDAY'S EVIDENCE AT GRAIN TRIBUNAL.

Mr. J. B. Whelehan presided at yesterday's sitting of the Grain Tribunal in the Boardroom of the Department of Agriculture, Dublin, when further evidence was taken in support of the Irish Grain Growers' Association's proposal that all maize sold as feeding stuff in the Irish Free State should contain a certain proportion of home-grown cereals. Dr. Hinchcliff was the other member of the Tribunal present, and Mr. J. R. O'Donnell acted as secretary.

Mr. J. J. Bergin, Secretary, Irish Grain Growers' Association, examined the various witnesses, who were then questioned by members of the Tribunal.

Mr. T. A. Fowler, farmer and auctioneer, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, speaking as a practical farmer growing a large quantity of cereals on a Free State farm, and as one who knew agricultural conditions generally, the financial position of the tillage farmers, and the methods of marketing, said that the Grain Growers' Scheme would be a God-send to them all. It would give a badly-needed new market to the grain grower, and could not possibly adversely affect the producer who was not a grower, and who did not grow enough grain for his own purpose. His farm was typical of those in East Donegal. He had had conversations with several millers on the subject, and felt satisfied that there would be no difficulty from either the administrative or practical side of the scheme. Unless some such scheme were devised to find a market for their surplus grain there was sure to be a further very serious decline in the ploughed area in this district for 1930.

The tariff on oatmeal was only a patrial success, and this year its efforts seemed to be negligible. The effect of a positive market for grain would, by itself, have decidedly beneficial effects in increasing the area under tillage; but when taken in conjunction with a curtailment of imports of foreign feeding-stuffs, he had no hesitation in stating that it would practically revolutionise the whole outlook of agriculture in his area.

In reply to Dr. Hinchcliff, the witness said that, in his opinion, there would be a lesser grain crop in East Donegal this year, owing to the unremunerative prices that have been prevailing. Two oatmeal mills had been established, he knew, in that area in consequence of the tariff on oatmeal.

THE DIFFICULTY OF TESTS.

Mr. George Brownlee, of the Chief State Chemists' Department, Department of Agriculture, stated that, in his opinion, it was not possible to tell, by either chemical or microscopical tests, the exact quantity of added grains mixed in the form of meal along with maize meal, nor to get within any really useful approximation of the exact amount. The difficulty would be emphasised where more than one home-grown grain was mixed with the maize. One reason for the difficulty was that, while there were certain well marked differences between the average composition of each of the grains and the average of maize meal, there were too great variations in the composition of different samples and different varieties of the same grain.

In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Brownlee agreed that it would be possible to tell the various grains if there was a standard chemical analysis for the admixture.

GRAIN-GROWERS IN KILKENNY.

Mr. Sean Gibbons, Chairman, Kilkenny County Council, said that in his county every tillage farmer produced far more grain than he could use. They produced large quantities of grain, fed a lot of fat cattle and dairy stock, and yet had a surplus. More than half the grain grown was surplus. He had found an ideal mixture for stall-fed cattle to be two parts oats, two parts barley and two parts wheat, with some cake. A similar mixture was used for dairy cows.

It had been conclusively proved by experiments that barley was a better food than maize for pig feeding, while the bacon factory reports showed that barley fed bacon was more satisfactory than any other. If the grain growers' scheme were adopted there would be an increase in tillage and more employment, while millers would also increase their business.

Mr. P. J. Quaide, Limerick, a buyer of pigs for Messrs. Matheson, bacon curers, Limerick, said that the best bacon was procured from pigs bought in districts where barley was largely fed. Such pigs produced the best bacon for both export and home trade. In districts where milk formed the main pig ration the pigs produced an unsuitable and extra fat bacon, which was nearly always sold at a bad price. When maize was excluded and barley and vegetables fed the bacon was sweeter, and a better seller on the British markets. It would be in the interests of the Irish bacon-curing industry and the interests of pig-feeders if maize were not given to pigs in such large quantities. A good ration for pigs, he suggested, was one-fourth maize, one-half barley and one-fourth pollard or oats.

Extended use of barley would improve the standard of bacon shipped, which was most erratic at present.

THE SHOOTING OF THE PIG.

In reply to Dr. Hinchcliff, the witness declared the Large Ulster was the worst pig in the world.

Dr. Hinchcliff—For your trade?

Mr. Quaide—No; for the bacon trade generally.

Dr. Hinchcliff—You have no experience of the rolled bacon trade?

Witness—We do not go in for it. You can make the worst pig into rolled bacon.

Dr. Hinchcliff—Do you know that buyers in Cavan and Monaghan pay more for Ulster pigs for this trade than they do for Yorks?

The witness said that he had been in the North, and believed that the Large Ulster pigs were the worst in the world. The Large York was the best pig for bacon production. He had had one Ulster pig, bought in Rathdowney, and it was so bad that it had to be shot. They got their best pigs from Borrisokane, where they were mostly barley-fed, and they paid more for such pigs than for others.

Mr. D. Maher, Ardmoyle, Cashel, Co. Tipperary, said that he had been deputed to attend on behalf of grain growers in favour of the blending scheme. The district was mainly agricultural, and barley was the principal corn crop raised. The land was suitable for it, and it was usually grown after root crops and potatoes, and the sample was generally good. Most of the farms ranged from 12 to 70 acres in extent, and were well managed.

If the admixture of 15 per cent. of home-grown grain with maize be put into operation it would absorb the surplus grain and thus create a reliable market for the native material. The general opinion among grain growers in his locality was that, not only would it save the barley industry, but increase the output of the whole industry.

Replying to Dr. Hinchcliff, the witness said that the use of home-grown cereals was increasing, because of the increased price of cakes and maize.

The Tribunal adjourned until 11 o'clock to-day.

JUDGMENT IN THE GODDARD CASE.

£8,971 TO BE HANDED BACK BY CROWN.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt, sitting in the King's Bench Division, London, yesterday, gave judgment against the Crown in their claim to the £12,000 found in the possession of ex-Sergeant George Goddard, a London policeman, who was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment and fined £2,000 in January last in connection with the conduct of night clubs in the West End.

In the course of his judgment Mr. Justice Rowlatt said that it was apparently Goddard's duty to employ methods of espionage, and to disburse very large sums of money for that purpose. Therefore, they had the spectacle of a police officer acting corruptly, a circumstance more scandalous and more menacing, he should think, in the view of many persons than any of the disorders that Goddard was employed to keep within bounds.

The Judge said that he could not help feeling that any question of the retention of the money was a very questionable proceeding. Lord Byng took a great risk. He had no right to this money in point of law. It was a pretty serious matter when money was taken and kept by the authorities when no conviction followed in respect of it.

The exact amount claimed by the Crown was £12,471, and, as judgment was given for the Crown for £3,500, the amount left to Goddard is £8,971. This was referred to generally in round figures as £9,000.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE DUBLIN "ZOO."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It is a great pity that the original letter on the Dublin "Zoo" in your issue of the 5th inst. should have given rise to a discussion on the meaning of the word "Zoology." I quite agree with Sir Robert Woods that "Embryology, Cytology and Micro-Anatomy" are not equivalent to the term "Zoology." Any text book on Zoology will enlighten the inquiring student. However, that was really beside the point raised by your correspondent, "An Irishman." He warmly recommended that the efforts of the Zoological Society of Ireland to maintain and extend their collection of animals deserve more general recognition and support. I am sure that very few people will oppose such a suggestion. The Society deserves support not only for its endeavour to teach "Zoology," which is the science of animals, but for many other reasons. Cruelty to domestic animals is happily uncommon in Ireland. The more intimate our relations are with our domestic pets, the more we appreciate their attractions and feelings, and we come to understand one another better. The "Zoo" teaches us to extend that same feeling of love and friendship to the wild beasts and birds, and even reptiles and the more lowly creatures of creation. The many children and adults who first made the acquaintance of an animal whose existence they had only read of, or had seen in a picture, can testify to the truth of this statement.

Some well-meaning people would give all the birds and beasts more room for exercise, but this does not always conduce to happiness or comfort. Many years ago, at great expense, a large aviary was built near the lake, so that a number of birds could fly about and imagine they were once more back in the Elysium of their original home. Great was the disappointment when the big bully birds snatched the food from their smaller and weaker brethren, and then pecked at them, thus forcing them to take refuge under the bushes, where great rats, which had meanwhile invaded the aviary, added to their misery. The experiment of large cages proved to be a failure.

In every civilised country there are zoological and also botanical gardens—that is, places where people can become acquainted with all kinds of animals and plants—which are supported with funds by the State, the university or the municipality. This shows that there is a wide recognition among nations of the benefits derived from such permanent exhibitions.

The breeding of wild animals is one of the features of our own "Zoo." The Dublin Gardens are famous all the world over for the breeding of lions, and scores of them have been exported to the Continent of Europe, to America, to Australia and even to India and Africa. This industry also attracts artists who want to make studies for their pictures of lions. One eminent animal painter from abroad spent three months in Dublin making sketches of the lions. To our own students in the School of Art the Dublin "Zoo" is invaluable. Again and again have young salmon been reared in the "Zoo," and thousands of them have been used to stock the Liffey. The mere beauty of the Gardens, which has been developed so much by the Council of the Society, ought to attract visitors quite apart from the collection of animals. If it were not for the fact that Dublin has so many other charms, tourists would flock to see the "Zoo" in much greater numbers than they do.

Finally, I may mention that the Dublin "Zoo," which is now nearly one hundred years old, is one of the oldest zoological gardens in the world, and it is unthinkable that such an institution should be allowed to wither away for want of support.—Yours, etc.,

R. F. SCHARFF,
Formerly Honorary Secretary,
Royal Zoological Society of Ireland.
Dun Laoghaire, December 12th, 1929.

COLONEL BLOOD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—My attention has been directed to an article which appeared in the *Irish Times* on Saturday last in connection with the "adventures of an Irish rogue," Colonel Blood, the "notorious seventeenth century dare-devil," as he was described. The article, on the whole, is highly improper, and the writer, if he chose to write in that fashion, should, in common courtesy, have consulted the head of the family with regard to publishing his views.

I am the youngest son of the late William Bindon Blood, Cranaghar, Co. Clare (died in 1894), and my eldest brother is now head of the family. He lives in London, and to save time while the matter is fresh in the recollection of your readers, I take the responsibility of dealing with the case. The story of Colonel Blood's "adventures," or the facts on which they were based, do not concern me. To deal with them the whole story would have to be rewritten. I shall deal with certain particulars of his birth (of which your writer pleads ignorance), and certain facts, part of which were written at the time or shortly after, which show that he was an ordinary being, moved in ordinary sets, and was of more than ordinary courage.

Edmond Blood, captain of cavalry, M.P., Borough of Ennis, 1613-1639, had three sons—Neptune, Dean of Kilfenora, 1664, who had a son Neptune, Dean of Kilfenora, 1692; Edmond, extinct; Thomas, who had a son Thomas, the Colonel. Thus he was nephew of the first Dean, and first cousin of the second Dean of Kilfenora. His father, Thomas, was given grants of land in the Counties of Meath and Wicklow in 1640. "He was a great wit, and so esteemed in Ireland that he was placed in the commission of the peace before he reached the age of twenty-two. He was a man powerful in body, of great courage, and in after life undertook some desperate acts. During the Rebellion he joined under the banner of the King. Being afterwards disappointed in the Court of claims relative to some confiscated lands, he became dissatisfied, and headed a disaffected party with a view of seizing the Castle of Dublin, and making a prisoner of the Duke of Ormonde, then Lord Lieutenant of Ireland." (Extract from notes written at the time.)

We must now pass on to the time when Colonel Blood was married. On the 1st of June, 1650, he married, in the Church of Newchurch, Mary, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel John Holdcroft, of Holdcroft, Co. Lancaster. I have an extract from Ryland's "Notes on the family of Holdcroft," from which it appears that Gilbert de Culcheth married the Lady Cecilia de Lathom, by whom he had no male issue, but the daughter, Joan de Culcheth, married Thomas Fitz Hugh de Hindley, who took the name of Holdcroft, and inherited the lands. He was therefore in the fifteenth generation from Gilbert de Culcheth, who was the reputed son of Henry III. Colonel Blood's issue were three sons. The elder two were dead, but the youngest was Holdcroft, who began as cadet in Louis XIV.'s Guards, and ended as Brigadier-General in command of the artillery, whose services may be read of in the Duke of Marlborough's dispatches. He died without issue at Brussels on the 30th August, 1707, and with him the line became extinct.

I think I have now said enough about Colonel Blood's characteristics as seen in Ireland and among those who knew him. I will end with a quotation from the notes already written, as quoted above. "He became a great favourite at Court, and had a handsome pension settled on him, which he enjoyed till his death, which took place on the 26th August, 1680. He got a grant from the King of what is known as the Straffan property, Co. Wicklow, now held by Mr. Barton, father-in-law of the present Lord Clarina."—Yours, etc.,

W. P. BLOOD, Colonel.
Clarebey, Shankill,
December 12th, 1929.

PAINT AND PLEASURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—"Inquirer" need really not go to Italy for his colour-wash. He will find houses of every colour of the rainbow at Kilkee, even green and blue—some most tastefully picked out with black eyebrows and white reveals—and in other Clare villages he may revel in every shade of pink and yellow. What a pleasure it is on a day of leaden skies to come on such a warm-tinted village, where even the streaming streets are rosy with reflections! One imagines for a moment that the clouds have relented and let through a ray of sunlight. Our people have an inborn love of colour, and the tradition of bright-painted houses comes down to us from ancient legend. The danger is that this instinct will be smothered by gentility and utilitarianism combined. Concrete is slowly invading the remotest countryside, and nobody seems to think of colour-washing concrete, though I am told that a very cheap, simple chemical solution will get over any difficulty there may be in making lime-wash adhere to it. I cannot imagine that the new coloured concretes could ever give the same fresh brightness as lime-wash.

As for Dun Laoghaire, I, and I am sure many others, have shared "Inquirer's" vision of the gay town between mountains and sea that might welcome the traveller, instead of receiving him with a cold and sour stare. What can be done about it? Could some friendly artist be invoked to paint a poster showing the real and the ideal Dun Laoghaire—perhaps not even the ideal, but only the re-painted—and thus pass on the vision to a few more?—Yours, etc.,

"H.D."

Co. Clare, December 11th, 1929.

ULTRA-VIOLET RAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—When are we to know the truth about ultra-violet light? A year or two ago medical men in all parts of the country were hailing treatment by means of "artificial sunlight," as it is popularly called, as one of the greatest discoveries of modern science. It had proved, they said, of remarkable value as a tonic, particularly during the months when we are deprived of much of the natural sunshine we enjoy in the summer, as well as being curative in the treatment of rickets, tuberculosis and other diseases. As a result of those claims, Hull, one of the divisions of which I have the honour to represent in Parliament, in common with many other municipalities, installed artificial sunlight equipment in its public baths. The baths were an immediate success, both financially and from a health point of view.

In its latest report, however, the Medical Research Council has thought fit to condemn "ultra-violet light as an expensive and practically worthless form of treatment. This has had most unfortunate results. In Hull the income from the municipal baths has decreased considerably in the past few months, a decrease attributed largely by the Chairman of the Baths Committee to the Medical Research Council's report. The report, I am told, has had similar results elsewhere. Were medical opinion in agreement with the Research Council, there would be nothing for it but to regret that municipalities had been induced to waste their money; but medical opinion is not in agreement. Doctors of the very highest repute reject entirely the Council's conclusions, and continue to express their belief in the great value of ultra-violet light treatment.

Is it not time that the Ministry of Health conducted a full and impartial enquiry into the whole subject of "sunlight treatment"? I may say that I, personally, have derived benefit from this treatment, and so have many of my parliamentary colleagues.—Yours, etc.,

J. M. KENWORTHY.

The House of Commons, London,
December 11th, 1929.

THE FREE STATE CIVIL SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your Political Correspondent, in a recent issue, refers to the ban on promotions in the Civil Service, and indicates that the existence of the ban is not admitted in Government circles. Promotions from the writing assistant to clerical and clerical to executive grades were definitely suspended in all Departments on instructions from the Department of Finance in 1926, and no promotions have taken place in the meantime. It is untrue to state that no vacancies have occurred. There has been recruitment to these grades by open competitive examination, while competent officers with long service in the lower grades have been passed over. Departmental applications for promotion are invariably met with the objection that the Departments are not in a position to recommend or grant promotions on account of the existence of the financial regulations.

In July this year the matter was raised in the Dail, and the Minister for Finance admitted the existence of the ban, and stated that he hoped to be in a position to resume promotions at an early date, particularly in the case of writing assistants; but up to the present no promotions have taken place. In these circumstances it is rather absurd to deny the existence of the ban on promotions.—Yours, etc.,

A. HERON,
General Secretary, Civil Service Clerical Association.
122a St. Stephen's Green, Dublin,
December 12th, 1929.

THE PEACE OUTLOOK.

EDUCATING THE GROWING GENERATION

At the invitation of the League of Nations Society in Dublin, a meeting of teachers and educationalists, representing many secondary schools and colleges, was held in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dawson street, Dublin, last night.

Professor J. M. O'Sullivan, who presided, began by asking was it possible to bring the work of the League and the education of the people into touch. The work of the League was a tremendous one. The aim that it had before it was very far-reaching. If it achieved it, the League would have performed, humanly speaking, almost a miracle.

Mr. R. C. Waller said that the object of the Society was to spread information about the League of Nations in international affairs, and gradually to build up a public opinion in favour of the work of the League. Naturally, the best way of doing that was through the schools and the young people. The members of their Committee felt that this education of the young was not being done as it should be done.

Meetings had been held in a few of the schools, and branches of the Society had been established in two of the schools here in Dublin. Much more could be done. An education sub-committee of their Committee had been working in this matter. It was, however, mainly composed of members of the Society, whereas they wanted educationalists represented on it.

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U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSE WEAK: WILD FLUCTUATIONS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.
NEW YORK, Thursday.

Stocks opened irregular. A new flood of liquidation swept over the market in the last hour, depressing more than a score of leading shares 5 to 20 points. The abrupt action came as a climax to the recent period of indecisive movements. In early trading the market drifted lower, despite sporadic attempts by pools to rally the general list. There were several disappointing developments in the day's news, and the publication of the monthly copper statistics showing a large increase in the stocks on hand once more unsettled widely circulated reports that buyers were still following a hand-to-mouth policy. A report that 11,000,000 dollars in gold was being shipped to London, with another 7,000,000 in prospect offset the announcement of a reduction in the Bank of England discount rate, which, however, is expected to retard further gold exports. The "ticker" was running fifty minutes late. Wild fluctuations characterised the last few minutes of trading. Finally Westinghouse Electric, Auburn Auto, Standard Gas, Case Threshing Machine, Columbia Carbon and Otis Elevator declined 17 to 23 points; and U.S. Steel, American Can, American Telephone and Telegraph, American Tobacco, Radio Corporation, Air Reduction, Allied Chemical, American and Foreign Power, American Machine Foundry, North American Republic, Iron and Steel, Union Pacific, Western Union Telegraph, and Johns Manvil', 7 to 15 points. The close was weak. Government Bonds steady; Railroad Bonds steady. The day's sales totalled 4,505,000 shares.

Money on call closed steady at 4½ p.c. bid and 4¾ p.c. asked. All transactions were at 4½ p.c. Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5½ p.c. Sterling exchange steady. Silver unchanged at 49⅞.

	Thur.	Wed.
Call Money	4½b 4¾a	4½b 4¾a
Exchange on Lon.—60 days sight	4.83¼	4.83¼
Do do. Demand Bills	4.87 9/16	4.87¼
Cable Transfers	4.88 1/16	4.88 1/16
Do Montreal	4.92	4.92 1/16
Exchange Paris cable	3.93⅞	3.93⅞

Eng. Parity.	STOCKS.	Closing Bid. Thur.	Wed
236 7/16	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	221	223⅞
11 6	Do. Preferred	105½	105¼
118 1/16	Baltimore and Ohio	115½	115¼
198¼	Canadian Pacific	193½	196
23¼	Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul	24½	23¾
88⅞	Chicago and North-West	86¼	87½
80 15/16	Erie Shares	38½	62¼
65 7/16	Erie 1st Preferred	63⅞	63½
132½	Illinois Central	129	129
135½	Louisville and Nashville	130	131½
1 9/16	Mexican Nat. 1st Preferred	1 1/16	1 1/8
44 5/16	Missouri, Kansas, and Texas	43½	43⅞
85½	Missouri Pacific	83¼	84
177½	New York Central & Hudson R.	173½	172½
234 5/8	Norfolk and West Com.	229	234
92 9/16	Northern Pacific Com.	90	92
81¼	Pennsylvania shares	80¼	82⅛
1 16	Reading Shares	128½	128½
47½	Do. Preferred	46	46
123	Southern Pacific	122	123
136 5/16	Southern Railway	135	139
218¼	Union Pacific	213	223
84¼	Do. Preferred	82½	82¼
113¼	American Can (New Stock)	112½	121
72 9/16	American Smelting New Stock	74	78
78⅝	Anaconda Copper	76½	79⅝
17 1/16	Anglo-American Oil	16⅝	16¾
52½	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	51	55½
28 13/16	Brit. American Tobacco Coupon	29½	29¼
96 11/16	New York Consolidated Gas	94½	107
237 11/16	General Electric (New Stock)	232	244½
41¼	General Motors (New)	40¼	42¾
1 5/16	Inter Mer. Marine Com. Certs	25	26
22	International Pet., Canada. New	21½	22
149 5/16	National Lead	143	146¼
59½	Pan-American Petroleum "B"	58	60¼
43⅞	Shell Transport and Trading	44¼	44½
24 1/16	Shell Union Oil	23½	23⅞
28 7/16	U.S. Rubber	28¼	30
170 9/16	United States Steel Common	166½	177⅛
144 11/16	Do. Pref.	141¼	141¼
36½	International Nickel	—	43
—	Silver Commercial Bars	49⅛	49⅛
	BONDS		
94⅞	Atch. Top. New 4 % Gen. Mort.	92⅝	97½
83½	Erie Rail. Gen. 4 % Lien Bonds	81½	81½
95 1/16	Union Pacific 4 % Bonds	92½	94⅝
—	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5 % Bonds	93⅝	—
105¼	U.K. do. 1937	102¾	102½
—	U.K. Funding Loan	—	81½
108 11/16	7 % German Loan	105½	108½

* Asked; † Ex div.; ‡ Ex interest; ‖ Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT—Spot steady, ¼c. to ½c. higher.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Amber Durum, spot	130	128½
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	125	123½
No. 2 Northern Manitoba, spot	151¼	150
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	132	130½
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	140¾	139½

MAIZE steady at 1c. advance

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed spot	104¼	103¼

LARD barely steady and 15 points lower. Prime Western steam, 10.95; Middle West, 10.80 to 10.90.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Eng Equiv.	STOCKS AND SHARES	Clos'g Prices Thur.	Wed.
36¼	Abitibi Power & Paper Co. Ltd.	33½	36½
1 2	Acadian Corporation, Ltd.	1¼	1 2
12 11/16	Do. Preferred	12½	12½
6 16	Brit Columbia Packers, Ltd.	6	6
40	Brazilian T. L. & P. Co., Ltd.	39⅝	42½
36 9/16	Brit. Columbia P. Corp., Ltd., A	36	37⅞
19 5/16	Do. B	19¼	19¾
1	Brit. Empire Steel Corp., Ltd.	1	1

AN UNFORTUNATE SHIP : THE BELGIAN RAIL SMASH

THE CELTIC—The aft deck of the stranded liner Celtic, which ran ashore on the Cork coast a year ago, and is now almost dismantled.

BELFAST PRESENTATION — The portrait in oils which has been presented to Sir Frederick Moneypenny, C.V.O., Belfast City Chamberlain, by his fellow-citizens.

A TRAFFIC PROBLEM—Two drivers, up to their waists in water, endeavour to help a fellow-motorist, whose van is derelict. A flood picture from the Thames Valley.

BELGIAN RAIL SMASH—The scene after the rail smash near Namur, when a workmen's train got out of control. Ten people were killed and forty injured.

IN SPATE—The Beechhill waterfall, on the River Dodder, in full flush after the recent heavy rains.

RUGBY: Leinster Schools' Rugby Trial, Whites v. Colours.—A Colours player stems an onrush of Whites by falling on the ball, but is forced to relinquish the leather.

NEW PEER — The Hon. Donough O'Brien, who succeeds to the title on the death of his father, Lord Inchiquin.—*Lafayette.*

The Hon. Mrs. Donough O'Brien, whose husband succeeds to the Inchiquin title, is a daughter of Viscount Chelmsford.—*Lafayette.*

TERENURE COLLEGE UNION—The Committee responsible for the Union dance, which was held in the Metropole Ballroom, Dublin, last night. In Front: Messrs. C. Stewart and F. J. Donnellan. Centre: Mr. B. J. Cannon, Mrs. C. Cullen, Mr. Sean O hUadhaigh and Mrs. Cannon. At Back: Mr. J. O'Reilly, Messrs. F. and J. Cole, Miss C. McSweeney, Mr. P. Duffy and the Misses Cole.

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BIG FLAT RACE ENTRIES.

76 FOR THE "LINCOLN."

STRONG CHALLENGE FROM FRANCE.

The Lincolnshire Handicap, the entries for which were published yesterday, has obtained an entry of 76, one less than twelve months ago, and a noticeable feature of the race is the strong French challenge.

Two French candidates who have already elicited support in early ante-post lists are Mr A. K. Macomber's Saint Nicolas II. and Captain J. D. Cohn's Slipper. The latter ran in the Cambridgeshire, but failed to make such a good show as his stable-companion, Vatout, who was only just beaten by Double Life, and who has been entered here. When one remembers that Vatout won the Poule d'Essai des Poulins, the French Two Thousand Guineas, and that Mr. T. F. Dawkins estimated Slipper as 3lb. superior to Vatout, it can be realised that Slipper is of more than average brilliance, and, as he is almost certain to be allowed something for his Cambridgeshire failure, he is not at all unlikely to get in with a reasonable weight. In any case, his connections will know through Vatout exactly where they stand with English collateral form.

A USEFUL COLT.

Saint Nicolas II. was entered for the Cambridgeshire, but did not compete. There is no doubt that he is a very useful colt, and if he is seriously trained for this race he is certain to claim considerable support.

Lord Derby's Yosemite, who won six races last season, and ran Six-Wheeler to a neck in the Grosvenor Cup at Liverpool, is a gelding who comes to hand early in the season, and he should show to advantage over this easy mile.

Elton, who won the race last season, but who subsequently failed to reproduce that form, will be a popular choice for those who base their calculations upon the "horses for courses" theory; whilst as an "each-way" chance the consistent Caballero, who was second in the Lingfield Handicap, the City and Suburban, the Victoria Cup, the Royal Hunt Cup, and third in the Kempton Park Great "Jubilee," will appeal to many, regardless of what weight he is allotted.

Amongst the older horses are noted the seven-year-old Orbindos, who was second in the race as a four-year-old; King's Oven, who won a series of five handicaps last season; and Fenimore Cooper, War Mist, and The Sirdar, a trio from which George Duller, the former hurdle race jockey, can attempt to open his winning account as a trainer under Jockey Club rules.

PROBABLE TOP-WEIGHT.

M. J. Wittouck's Palais Royal II., winner of the Select Stakes, and second to Fairway in the Jockey Club Cup, was beaten only a neck and a head by Double Life and Vatout in the Cambridgeshire, and is tolerably certain to hold a high place in this handicap, as also is H.H. Aga Khan's Le Phare, a high-class colt, who at Goodwood last July defeated Point Duty, Osiris, Mr. Jinks and others. The disappointing Guards Parade and Gay Day will add to the troubles of "form students," as they have both been dropped in recent handicaps, and at their best are very useful.

The only three-year-old entered is Mrs. J. B. Joel's Polar Bear. Since the famous Sceptre was beaten by St. Maclou in 1902, owners of three-year-olds have generally thought it useless to run them in the race, but before Sceptre's time three-year-olds were freely entered. In fact, in 1892 Clarence and Acrobat, both three-year-olds, finished first and second, and the following year second season horses carried off all the honours, Wolf's Crag, the winner, and Gangway and Marciano second and third respectively, all being three-year-olds.

Sir Alfred Butt's Beachcomber, Mr. Sol Joel's Knight of the Grail, Lord Rosebery's San Marino, and Sir Ernest Tate's Roigrey, are likely to call for further comment when the handicapper's estimate of the relative merits of the entries is published on January 25rd.

Ted Leish colt, Star Eagle, has been nominated for the Ascot Gold Cup, as have also the Irish Derby winners, Kopi and Baytown, the last-named of which was not at all himself this year, but was showing a return to form as the season was closing, and ran a good race in The Manchester November Handicap.

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.

(Run Wednesday, March 26. 1 m.)
(76 subs.)

	Age.		Age.
Orbindos	a	Yeomanstown	5
The Sirdar	a	Lady Starlight	5
War Mist	a	Silex Major	5
King's Oven	a	Six Wheeler	5
Alacrity	a	Pachalik	5
Lucky San	a	Ledeon	5
Grandflight	a	Caballero	5
Capture Him	a	John Silver	5
Yosemite	6	Cygalice	5
Fenimore Cooper	6	Orpenda	4
The Mohawk	6	Le Phare	4
Cloud Nymph	6	Portraitist	4
Don Pat	6	Song of Essex	4
Knight of the Grail	6	Gay Dog	4
Grandisson	6	Vatout	4
Sundown III.	6	Slipper	4
Musical Prince	5	Charles Quint	4
Darian	5	Barrabas	4
Leonidas II.	5	Roi du Maquis	4
Saint Nicholas II.	5	Arctic Light	4
Elton	5	High Tide IV.	4
Square Rock	5	Roigrey	4
Swift Marten	5	Capablanca	4
Phlegethon	5	King's Writ	4
Umslopagaas	5	Kellath	4
Break of Day	5	Pianola	4
Yoho	5	Monsieur Neuf	4
Garnock	5	King o' Roses	4
Guards' Parade	5	Rosolio	4
O'Curry	5	Stalactite	4
San Marino	5	Arbaletrier	4
Porthole	5	Beachcomber	4
Irish Romance	5	Pergamus	4
Derby Dilly	5	Knight Error	4
Culzean	5	Keun	4
Navigator	5	Corduroy	4
Palais Royal II.	5	Bray Beau	4
Probite	5	Polar Bear	3

LIVERPOOL SPRING CUP.

(Run Thursday, March 27. 1 m. 2 f. 170 yds.)
(39 subs.)

	Age.		Age.
The Sirdar	a	Filament	4
King's Oven	a	Story Teller	4
Grandflight	a	Aftab	4
Yosemite	6	Le Volent	4
Lanson	6	Orpenela	4
The Mohawk	6	Lemon Car	4
Knight of the Grail	6	Staffa	4
Promptitude	6	High Tide IV.	4
Sledmere	6	En Garde	4
Sans Changer	5	Empire Builder	4
Plantago	5	Osiris	4
Lucky Tor	5	Larking	4
Break of Day	5	N.P.B.	4
O'Curry	5	Charnwood	4
Antiquary	5	Lambin	4
Cheerio	5	Regain	4
Cardinal's Ring	5	Engelberg	4
King's Messenger	5	Bray Beau	4
Alight	4	Autumn Tint	3
Great Scot	4		

YORKSHIRE CUP.

(Run at York, Wednesday, May 28. 2 m.)
(42 subs.)

	Age.		Age.
Alacrity	a	Kentish Plover	5
Dark Hillock	a	Covenden	5
Sir Joshua	a	Law Suit	5
Eagle's Pride	a	Highbury	5
West Wicklow	6	Clinton Lass	5
Polyanthus	6	Cicero	5
Bonny Boy II.	6	Troubadour	5
Promptitude	6	Kingcob	5
Feng	6	Bosworth	4
Duggler	6	Visellus	4
Old Orkney	6	Gavendo	4
Ramon	5	Paul Caret	4
Richborough	5	Show Girl	4
Hunting Tower	5	Lemon Car	4
Mountain Lad	5	Compound Fracture	4
Mint Master	5	The Bastard	4
The Consul	5	Posterity	4
Glenhazel	5	Madcap	4
Siegfried	5	Doura	4
Tor	5	Scottish Fusilier	4
Gloucester Hussar	5	Leonaru	4

GREAT NORTHERN HANDICAP.

(Run at York, Thursday, May 29. 1½ m.)
(30 subs.)

	Age.		Age.
Servus	a	Cheerio	5
King's Oven	a	Six Wheeler	5
Sir Picton	a	Alight	4
Sir Joshua	a	Great Scot	4
Sledmere	6	Malakoff	4
[illegible] Orkney	6	Acragas	4
[illegible] Man	5	Quarter Sessions	4
[illegible]lus	5	Flange	4
[illegible]ys	5	Carl's Caress	4
[illegible]telugh	5	Green Willow	4
[illegible]	5	Kerr's Pink	4
[illegible]	5	Posterity	4
[illegible]	5	Doura	4
[illegible]	5	Charnwood	4
[illegible]	5	Story Teller	4

CORONATION CUP.

(Run at Epsom Thursday, June 5. 1½ m.)
(34 subs., including four in Paris not yet known.)

	Age		Age
The Sirdar	a	Haste Away	4
King's Oven	a	Kopi	4
Fenimore Cooper	6	Le Phare	4
Valois	6	Empire Builder	4
Alifford	6	Solomic	4
Ferryman	6	Ortello	4
Sir Joshua II.	6	Artist's Proof	4
Baytown	6	Star Eagle	4
Wolf's Crag	5	Horus	4
Mr. Jinks	5	Midlothian	4
Gangway	4	Cattle Fish	4
Marciano	4	Walter Gay	4
Bosworth	4	Grand Salute	3
Betweed	4	Last of the Dandies	3
		Press Gang	3

MANCHESTER CUP.

(Run Friday, June 13. 1½ m.) (46 subs.)

	Age.		Age.
South Hill	a	Six Wheeler	5
Servus	a	Waveflop	5
King's Oven	a	Alight	4
Sir Joshua	a	Great Scot	4
West Wicklow	6	Malakoff	4
Bonny Boy II.	6	Acragas	4
Knight of the Grail	6	Quarter Sessions	4
Brown Jack	6	Paul Caret	4
Promptitude	6	Pioneer	4
Sledmere	6	Le Volent	4
Old Orkney	6	Grease Paint	4
Poor Man	5	Whitsbury	4
Sartelles	5	High Tide IV.	4
Colligny II.	5	Gentlemen's Relish	4
Plantago	5	Kerr's Pink	4
Mint Master	5	Montclair	4
Athford	5	The Niche	4
Dark Pearl	5	Guy Mannering	4
Saracen	5	Posterity	4
Palais Royal II.	5	Kopi	4
Kindred	5	Charnwood	4
Idle Hour	5	Percival Boy	4
King's Messenger	5	Star Eagle	4

ASCOT GOLD CUP.

(Run Thursday, June 19. 2½ m.)
(44 subs., including 13 in Paris not yet known.)

	Age.		Age.
King's Oven	a	Montclair	4
Valois	6	Hotweed	4
Maer-Hills	6	Sir Cosmo	4
Athford	5	Posterity	4
Law Suit	5	Haste Away	4
Fairway	5	Kopi	4
Stephen II.	5	Le Volent	4
Clear Cash	5	Lemon Car	4
Baytown	5	Artist's Proof	4
Friendship	5	Star Eagle	4
Ortello	5	Horus	4
Cacao	5	The Bastard	4
Covenden	4	Malakoff	4
Luffness	4	Cuttle Fish	4
Bosworth	4	Walter Gay	4
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's sealed nom.			

ACCEPTANCES.

THE FREE HANDICAP.

(Run at Newmarket, Friday, April 25. 7 f.)

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Lovat Scout	9 0	Spagnoletto	8 0
Annaly	9 0	Paradine	8 0
Queen of the Nore	8 13	Heronsieu	8 0
Roral	8 12	Shirazy	8 0
Lady Abbess	8 12	Kemmel	8 0
Brennabie	8 11	Spice	7 12
Polar Bear	8 11	Skiff	7 12
Flying Argosy	8 11	Scardroy	7 11
Sister Clover	8 11	Duchess of Mars	7 11
Annis	8 10	Triptych	7 11
Diocletian	8 9	Peace Pact	7 11
Rapahannock	8 7	Golden Combine	7 9
Pegasus	8 6	Advance	7 9
Venskor	8 6	Silly Gray	7 9
Quartrain	8 5	Banchor	7 9
Accra	8 5	Galhampton	7 9
Golden Dawn	8 4	Marlborough	7 9
Pepperminta	8 4	Centaur	7 8
Queen's Orb	8 4	Laudsong	7 8
Casserole	8 4	Wendover	7 7
Dark Brilliance	8 4	Lights of Westminster	7 6
Anthurium	8 2	Pinxit	7 6
Hieroglyphic	8 2	Friar's Flutter	7 6
Last of the Dandies	8 2	Nick of Time	7 6
Brabant	8 1	Quothquan	7 4
Aspiration	8 1	Part Four	7 3
Redeswood	8 1	The Pen	7 3
Aide-de-Camp	8 1	Tankard	7 2
Noble Star	8 1	Stemmed	6 12

HURST PARK POSTPONED.

As anticipated, the Stewards of Hurst Park had no option but to postpone the programme arranged for to-day until Saturday, and to abandon the second day's card.

An inspection of the course revealed that it was more suitable for aquatic sports than for horse racing, and no doubt the announcement to be made at noon to-day, according to rule, will be that the meeting has been entirely abandoned.

Racing on Monday is at Derby. Mr. Stanley Ford, the Clerk of the Course, will inspect the course to-day. It is reported that the canal adjoining one portion of the track has overflown its banks, but it is not likely that the meeting will have to be postponed.

DEATH OF MR. J. H. CRAWFORD

THE WELL-KNOWN NEWMARKET TRAINER.

The death of Mr. James H. Crawford removes a popular and skilful member from the ranks of Newmarket trainers. He was in London on Monday on his way to Ireland, where he was to inspect some horses, when he was taken suddenly ill, and was removed at once to a nursing home. The cause of death was septic pneumonia. He was 42 years of age.

A member of an Ayrshire family, Crawford was at Glasgow University, and became a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. Going to India, he gained an extensive experience while assisting his brother, who is now partner in the British Bloodstock Agency, with a large veterinary practice. He, however, became more attracted to racing itself, and, turning his attention to riding and training, he became one of the most brilliant amateur jockeys in India.

It was a serious illness which caused him to return to England, where he took over the Manor Yard stables at Ogbourne. The Indian sportsman, Mr. W. Goculdas, set Crawford up as a trainer in this Wiltshire establishment, and commissioned him to purchase a number of racehorses on his behalf.

TRAINER OF PARTH.

Among those he bought was Parth, who ran third to Paprus in the Derby of 1925. Subsequently the horse was bought by Mr. A. K. Macomber, for whom Crawford prepared him to win the Kempton Park "Jubilee" in the following year. When Mr. W. Goculdas disposed of his racing interests Sir Victor Sassoon purchased his horses in India, and then turning to England spent a vast sum of money on bloodstock, appointing Crawford as his private trainer. Sir Victor bought the Fitzroy house training stables and the Bungalow Stud at Newmarket, and in the former establishment Crawford was installed in 1926.

With his new string of horses he soon made his mark, and in that year won the Stud Produce Stakes at Newmarket with Hot Night. In the following year this horse, who was in his day a brilliant performer, was beaten only by Call Boy in the Derby, after making a bold effort to win. Hot Night also finished as runner-up in the St. Leger to Book Law, besides winning three useful stakes for his owner in the same year.

During the season just ended Crawford again came near to winning a classic race, this time with Sir Victor Sassoon's Gay Day, who ran a good race to finish third to Mr. Jinks in the Two Thousand Guineas. In the hands of Donoghue Gay Day was well fancied to win the Derby, but failed to gain a place.

T. Taylor, who has been assistant trainer to Crawford for the past eighteen months, will take charge of the horses for the time being.

POLO.

THE WESTCHESTER CUP CHALLENGED FOR.

A challenge has been issued by the Hurlingham Club to the Polo Association of the United States for the International Polo Challenge Cup, known as the Westchester Cup.

The matches will be played at Meadowbrook in September next.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Surrey Selling Handicap Hurdle, Lingfield Park—Crail.

Anglesey Hurdle, Derby—Royal George.

Elvaston Steeplechase, Derby—Gondamine.

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HUNTING.

WARD UNION HOUNDS.

The fixture at Batterstown on Wednesday was held under wretched weather conditions, a gale of wind following the previous night's deluge, and only a small field braved the elements. An enlargement was made by Ballymaglasson House, the stag going away in the teeth of the wind in The Hatchet direction. Scent seemed good up-wind, and hounds ran hard across The Hatchet road into Black Hall, and kept direct for Kilcloon until they ran into view near Ballynare. When pointing for Dolly's Grove they swung to the left, and ran back by Wainstown into Black Hall again, where their quarry got "to ground" in an outhouse after a brief but lively gallop of twenty minutes. This finished the day.

DUHALLOW HOUNDS.

The fearful storm on Wednesday night of last week did not promise much in the way of hunting next day. It was still blowing half a gale when hounds arrived at Cahirmee Cross on Thursday, and very few people braved the elements, but among these few were visitors from Meath, Limerick, New Zealand and the United States, who were amply rewarded for their courage.

Finding at once in Knockanaad, hounds hunted on past Ballyellis and on over the road towards Lough Eagle, then turned right-handed as though for Regan's Rock, but again swinging to the right crossed Kilcoleman Bog, and were finally run out of scent just below Oldcourt after a very nice hunt of thirty-five minutes. Brough Wood was blank, also Stream Hill, but Ballyvonear, as usual, held, and going away up the mountain hounds ran a large right-handed ring nearly to Brough Wood and back into Stream Hill, where they could do no more. This was a good mountain hunt of over an hour. As it was now getting late and rain had commenced again, home was the order.

A large field turned out on Saturday at Longueville, but the day proved a somewhat disappointing one. The Longueville fox broke towards Wood Park, but was headed near the road, and turned back by Castlewort and refused to leave again. Rahnee, Ballyclough and Mount North were blank, but Grovie held a fox for us. Going away on the east side of the gorse he crossed the Lisgriffin road, and after a sharp fifteen minutes got to ground in Green's quarry. Boherascrib having been drawn blank, nothing more was done.

It was bitterly cold when we met on Monday last. Finding in Newberry, hounds hunted on to Knockansweeney, where scent failed. From Dromore hounds hunted round the wood for a long time, but by now it was blowing hard and pouring rain, and the fox refusing to face the open country was left. Mr Connor's gorse and Nursetown being blank, the day ended.

A large field met hounds at Kanturk on Tuesday last. Jogging on to Bawnmore, a brace was soon on the move. The first fox broke at the lower side of the gorse, but after going a couple of fields was headed back into covert. Hounds were hunting the second fox, which went away on the far side, as though for Priory, but kept on swinging right-handed after crossing the road, as though John's Bridge were his point. When within two fields of the covert hounds divided, five and a half couple hunting on to below the covert, where they were stopped. The body of the pack wheeled left-handed nearly to Freemount, and to the left again past Toarade into Priory wood, after a great gallop of an hour and ten minutes. The going in places was very heavy after all the recent rain, and, as most horses had had enough, hounds went home.

WESTMEATH HOUNDS.

The Westmeath met at Hopestown on Tuesday, and first drew Ballyvat, which held a brace. The selected one ran out towards Slanestown, through Clondardis to the canal, and, crossing the road at Shandonogh, he tried the earths at Clinstones. Finding these stopped, he returned to Ballyvat, where he was left. From Bryanstown hounds hunted a fox over a fine line of country to the "double," whence he retraced his steps to the gorse, and then went away by Jamestown towards Churchtown. Turning left-handed through Barretstown he swung back parallel with the railway line, past Strokestown to Ballinea, where this good fox eluded further pursuit. This was a very good hunt, during which not a strand of wire was encountered.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

December.	Meet.	Hour.
THE WARD UNION.		
Saturday, 14	Priestown Cross-roads	1.30
THE MEATH.		
Friday, 13	Kilmoon	11.0
THE KILDARE.		
Saturday, 14	Enfield	11.0

KILKENNY HOUNDS — December — Monday, 16th, Dunmore Park; Thursday, 19th, Glenpipe; Friday, 20th, Clomanto; Saturday, 21st, Ballyhale; Monday, 23rd, Bessborough; Thursday, 26th, Ballycallo Cross-roads; Friday, 27th, Kilrush House; Saturday, 28th, Windgap; Tuesday, 31st, Clubhouse, Kilkenny ("Cap" for Earl Haig Fund). January—Wednesday, 1st, Chilcomb Park; Friday, 3rd, Ballragget; Saturday, 4th, Floodhall. At 11 o'clock.

TIPPERARY HUNT (Revised List)—December—Saturday, 14th, Mrifield; Monday, 16th, Ballingarry; Wednesday, 18th, Bethard; Thursday, 19th, Ardmayleboy; Saturday, 21st, Shamrock Lodge; Monday, 23rd, Ballykelly; Tuesday, 24th, Moyglass; Saturday, 28th, Rathronan Cross. At 11 o'clock.

BRAY BARRIERS—Saturday, December 14th, Kilternan P.O., at 2 p.m.

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HOCKEY.

TO-MORROW'S PRINCIPAL MATCHES.

Railway Union v. Monkstown.
Three Rock Rovers v. Dalkey.
Kingstown Grammar School v. Wicklow.
Pembroke Wanderers v. Clontarf.
Dublin University v. National Bank.

COURSING.

THE NATIONAL CUP

A MIDLAND COURSER'S VICTORY.

(By Our Special Correspondent.)

Last season, when the National Cup was competed for for the first time at Newbridge, Mr. T. A. Morris and Mr. J. Clyne were the nominators concerned with the deciding course, the respective dogs being Main Guard and Salome. Mr. Morris' won the cup, and yesterday the same men brought the finalists, Matt the Thrasher and Cruckmellion, to slips. The result was a brilliant victory for Cruckmellion, who was nominated by Mr. Clyne, of Delvin, Co. Westmeath, for her owner, Mr. J. O'Reilly, of Clonmellon.

When we adjourned on Wednesday evening the prospects were seemingly in favour of My Courier, Mr. Morris's first string, but he went down before the superior running of Cruckmellion, who, after conceding the first turn cleverly, outworked him.

It was a fine morning when we met at Mr. Connolly's place, but the opening beat was very unsatisfactory. Not that there was any scarcity of hares of the right kind; but the field is a rather small one, and the hares invariably favoured the white collar in the run up, and continued to bear to the right. Several trials might have ended differently had the hares run straight on. But when we changed to the big meadows we had courses of the finest possible type, and the second stage of the meeting may be said to have made ample amends for the disappointment of the opening day.

THE RUNNING.

The first pair in the Cup to go to slips were Odd Bacchus and Odd Beau, inmates of the same kennel. To the general surprise the latter went up in front, and asserted superiority in the running; but at one part of the course the loser was keeping the better line; still, the success of the red collar was well merited. Keen Encounter failed to reproduce his pace and keenness of the first day in his course with Matt the Thrasher, and at no period in a capital course did he look like raising the flag. The My Courier-Cruckmellion course was an unsatisfactory one. The hare would have nothing to do with the Clonmel dog, denying him several times; but there was no mistaking the genuine performance of the Mullingar bitch, who handled her hare artistically, and had almost every scoring point in a really good course. Wrong Change was likewise favoured for the initial score in his spin with Pipes o' Pan; but the latter at one time was in front on points, and there could not have been a lot in it when the flag went up for Wrong Change.

Odd Beau had much the worse of the handicap when he went to slips with Matt the Thrasher in the semi-final round, for he had been hard run with Odd Bacchus. The result was that he was led by rather more than three lengths, and scored but one point in an average-length affair. Cruckmellion achieved another convincing performance in the course with Wrong Change, rattling away for a three lengths lead and going well round with the hare for the kill. But, then, certainly the smarest display which she put up in the stake was her final effort against Matt the Thrasher.

After a very searching test for pace, she was led by about half a length, but instantly she got to work, and the judge was on the point of whipping off his hat as the bitch made a drive to kill. Fortunately for herself she failed in the attempt, and then we saw another Flying Beauty IV. at work. Quick as lightning she scored point after point, rolling from side to side like a good one, and driving for the kill all the time. Once, and once only, did Matt the Thrasher have a real chance, but he was unable to avail himself of it, and it was not until the hare went for the fence that he again got in. Through the fence they went and into the rushes, with the bitch close to the scut, and she did not leave it until she brought down the good hare.

It was one of the best displays behind a hare that have been seen in the open country for years, but the running of the winner all through was marked by real artistry. Her one shortcoming is a lack of pace in the run up; but it may be taken for granted that at Altcar next February there will not be many better runners.

The finalists for the Trial Stakes were Mr. Ahern's Admiral and Mr. T. O'Brien's Odd Brandy, the latter of whom had been desperately hard run in the last course of the first day. Yesterday he was led by Sun Yat on an inside, and again by Doctor Beefax, but he had little difficulty with the strong hares in wiping out his deficit on each occasion. In the deciding course with Admiral, which showed his best form in this stake, he had to be content with the cap the first time after leading, but slipped the second time; he ran with much courage, and more than held his own in the working after opening with a strong lead. We thought that Hidden Dawn was somewhat unfortunate in being put out by Doctor Beefax, and that he might have been given a second chance; but then we were not in a position to see all that occurred.

Judge—Mr. M. Davin. Slipper—M. Horan.

NATIONAL CUP—For 32 all ages. Winner, £150 and Cup (presented by Shelbourne Park G.R.A. Dublin); second, £50; two dogs, £15 each; four dogs, £5 each.

III.

Mr. T. O'Brien ns. f. d. Odd Beau (Hidden Joke—Chordstriker) beat Mr. Patrick O'Brien ns. l. w. d. Odd Bacchus (Bottle—Much Loved).

Mr. J. J. Fitzpatrick ns. bd. d. Matt the Thrasher (Mutton Cutlet—Peerless Honey) beat Mr Peter Flynn's f. d. Keen Encounter (Keen Laddie—Garryhesta).

Mr. J. Clyne ns. w. bk. b. Cruckmellion (Ballymaurice—Yellow Idol) beat Mr. T. A. Morris's bd. d. My Courier (Mutton Cutlet—Glad Tidings).

Mr. John Bruton ns. r. f. d. Wrong Change (Kashmir Kernel—Winning Hand) beat Mr. R. F. Tynan ns. bd. d. Pipes o' Pan (Scotch Reel—Lough Leenane).

IV.

Matt the Thrasher beat Odd Beau.
Cruckmellion beat Wrong Change.

V.

Cruckmellion beat Matt the Thrasher.

TRIAL STAKE—For 32 dog puppies. Winner, £30; second, £14; two dogs, £5 each; four dogs, £2 10/- each.

Third Round—Winning Boy beat Mangerton Joy; Admiral beat Sailor's Hornpipe; Doctor Beefex beat Hidden Dawn; Odd Brandy beat Sun Yat.

Fourth Round—Admiral beat Winning Boy; Odd Brandy beat Doctor Beefex.

Deciding Course—Mr. T. O'Brien's bd. Odd Brandy (Bottle—Much Loved) beat Mr. T. Ahern's r. f. Admiral (Melksham Tom—Wild Vixen).

LADYTOWN STAKE—For 8 bitch puppies. Winner, £11; second, £5.

Mr. M. P. Ryan's Royal Heroine beat Mr. R. F. Tynan's Tight Line.

Mr. John Murphy's Rory's First beat Mr. D. J. Treacy's Sweet Desoto.

Mr. W. Twyford's Ignis Ardens beat Mrs. J. M. Collins's Fiery Fly.

Mr. T. Harte's Hidden Run beat Mr. Harry Blong's Brindled Cat.

Second Round—Royal Heroine beat Rory's First; Hidden Run beat Ignis Ardens.

Bd. Royal Heroine (Mutton Cutlet—Rosey's Heroine) was declared the winner, Mr. T. Harte's bf. Hidden Run (Mutton Cutlet—Coin) being drawn injured.

CURRAGH STAKE (No. 1)—For 8 all-ages (two courses). Winner, £9; second, £3.

Mr. P. J. McAuliffe's Markover beat Mr. K. Dunning's Eclipse May.

Mr. W. Mahon's Modoso beat Mr. W. Coffey's Wicklow Yet.

Mr. P. Podger's Cradle Blanket beat Mr. W. E. Kelly's Best Girl.

Miss Dodo Lawlor's Glenidol beat Mr. P. J. Treacy's Twinnie Beag.

Second Round—Modoso beat Markover; Glenidol beat Cradle Blanket.

Deciding Course—Glenidol beat Modoso.

CURRAGH STAKE (No. 2)—For 8 all-ages (two courses). Winner, £9; second, £3.

Mr. J. Farrell's Rock Maid beat Mr. F. Corrigan's Curragh Chorus.

Miss M. O'Donohoe's Kelly's Luck a bye; Mr. S. Farrell's Rathcude drawn after a no-course.

Mr. C. Wynne, jun's. Wee Dote Again beat Mr. P. J. Cox's Curious Sailor.

Miss M. J. Kearn's Kawhia beat Mr. T. Ahern's Awif.

Second Round—Kelly's Luck beat Rock Maid; Kawhia beat Wee Dote Again.

Stakes divided.

NEWMARKET.

Judge—Mr. D. J. O'Callaghan. Slipper—W. O'Donoghue.

NEWMARKET STAKE—For 16 puppies.

Mr. White's White Survivor beat Mr. Kelleher's Top Flyer.

Mr. Noonan's New Fancy beat Mr. O'Connor's Rosella.

Mr. Dilworth's Golden Arrow beat Mr. Breen's Thurlo.

Mr. O'Sullivan's Uncanny beat Mr. O'Callaghan's The Skinner.

Mr. Larkin's Knockcoughlan beat Mr. Noonan's First Harp.

Mr. Forde's Flaming Flush beat Mr. O'Brien's Old Garryzort.

Mr. White's Aherlow Boy beat Mr. Carroll's Castle Free.

Mrs O'Sullivan's Cutlets Bravest beat Mr. Finn's Coolnane.

Second Round—New Fancy beat White Survivor; Golden Arrow beat Uncanny; Flaming Flash beat Knockcoughlan; Cutlets Bravest beat Aherlow Boy.

Third Round—Golden Arrow beat New Fancy; Cutlets Bravest beat Flaming Flash.

Decider—Golden Arrow beat Cutlets Bravest.

DUARIGLE STAKE—For 12 all-ages.

Mr. Cremin's Baby's Fancy a bye, Mr. Ahearne's Sidelight absent.

Mr. Hartnett's Gala Water beat Mr. O'Leary's Bended Madge.

Mr. Howard's Dick The Guide beat Mr. Curtin's Intrinsic Boy.

Mr. Mulvihill's Lurga beat Mr. Murphy's Kiskeam.

Mr. Casey's Glenquin Cutlet beat Mr. Kelleher's Tip Over Top.

Mr. O'Connell's Rose Boy beat Mr. O'Sullivan's Hartnett's Fancy.

Mr. Blake's Baby's Fancy beat Gala Water; Dick The Guide beat Lurga; Glenquin Cutlet beat Rose Boy.

Third Round—Baby's Fancy beat Dick The Guide; Glenquin Cutlet, a bye.

Decider—Baby's Fancy beat Glenquin Cutlet.

ISLAND STAKE—For 14 two-course maidens.

Mr. Murphy's Moleskin Roger beat Mr. Lineen's Flake of Snow.

Mr. Breen's Norman Archer beat Mr. O'Callaghan's Clover Honey.

Mr. Clonen's Waltz King beat Mr. Lewis's Witch of Endor.

Mr. Byron's Fashionette beat Mr. Ryan's Oxford Down.

Mr. O'Brien's Random Gossip beat Mr. Ryan's Red Rambler.

Mr. O'Callaghan's Over Candid beat Mr. Carroll's Coffin Nail.

Mr. Noonan's Ned M'Grath beat Mr. Flynn's White Line.

Mr. Regan's Knockagolic Lass a bye, Mr. O'Callaghan's Overcool absent.

Second Round—Norman Archer beat Moleskin Roger; Fashionette beat Waltz King; Random Gossip a bye, Over Candid drn.; Ned M'Grath beat Knockagolic Lass.

Third Round—Fashionette beat Norman Archer; Ned M'Grath beat Random Gossip.

Stake divided.

TOWN STAKES—For 32 one-course maidens.

Mr. Murphy's Belgian Gipsy beat Mr. Sheehan's Doona Man.

Mr. Mahony's Spot Charger beat Mr. O'Sullivan's Full Chief.

Mr. Kenny's Keen Kadi beat Mr. Wither's Lucky Tom.

Mr. O'Connell's Opera Caller beat Mr. Roche's Finn.

Mr. Burton's Southern Witch beat Mr. Sheehan's More Jazz.

Mr. Daly's Doeskin beat Mr. Kenneally's Goshkeek.

Mr. O'Brien's Ocean Beach beat Mr. Bluett's Beauty Winder.

Mr Shine's Bokhara beat Mr. Ring's Copperley Lass.

Mr. Noonan's Little Sod beat Mr. Corkery's Croom Laggon.

Mr. Scully's Smoke Plate beat Mr. Ahern's Lilian Finsh.

Mr. Mahony's Rhyolite beat Mr. Leonard's Altimir.

Mr. Connell's Cromick beat Mr. Stokes's Philbok.

Mr. Power's Piccadilly Jim beat Mr. O'Brien's Broxgeen Girl.

Mr. White's White Point beat Mr. Walsh's Arethua.

Mr. Forde's Perrott's Hill beat Mr. Quinlan's Social Gathering.

Mr. Fore's Flaming Fox beat Mr. Bolster's Clipper.

Second Round—Belgian Gipsy beat Spot Charger; Opera Caller beat Keen Kadi; Doeskin beat Southern Witch; Ocean Beach beat Bokhara; Little Sod beat Smoke Plate; Rhyolite beat Cromick; Piccadilly Jim beat White Point; Flaming Fox beat Perrott's Hill.

Third Round—Opera Caller beat Belgian Gipsy; Ocean Beach beat Doeskin; Rhyolite beat Little Sod; Flaming Fox beat Piccadilly Jim.

Fourth Round—Ocean Beach beat Opera Caller; Flaming Fox beat Rhyolite.

Stake divided.

KILKEE.

Judge—Mr. J. Meehan. Slipper—J. Bourke.

DUNLICKY STAKE—For 16 puppies. Winner, £14; second, £5; two dogs, £1 10/- each.

Mr. M. Looney's Half Expense beat Mrs. Ryan's Speedy.

Mr. W. McHugh's Manassa Mauler beat Mrs. K. Kelly's Kinee.

Mr. M. Blake's X Barr B. beat Mr. P. Foran's Mickey the Marbles.

Mr. M. O'Donnell's Edmond

ASSOCIATION.

THE UNIVERSITY MATCH DRAWN.

OXFORD ..... 1 CAMBRIDGE 1

On the ground of the Chelsea Club, at Stamford Bridge, yesterday afternoon, the Universities drew their Association match, each side scoring once. The turf was drier and better than expected, but a keen wind caused trouble in ball control, and some discomfort to the 6,000 spectators.

All things considered, the football reached a high standard, and the match could be described as one of the best between these teams seen in recent years. Both teams played really well. In dribbling and short passing, the forward lines put in much admirable work, and their only trouble was that the intended long pass often went astray. Sometimes the ball went too far ahead, and on other occasions, when kicked into the wind, it was blown behind colleagues on the far wing. Oxford suffered most in this respect during the first half, when the honours of the game went to their defenders. So well did the half-backs play, and notably Kingsley and Bradshaw, who were the most heavily engaged, that Goulding and Lomax were able to cover their goal or tackle so quickly that not one serious shot reached Garland-Wells.

After holding their own when the conditions told against them, Oxford secured the upper hand directly after change of ends. From a long centre the ball came across, and Brogden headed in. Vaughan punched out, and looked to have cleared, but Bradshaw dashed up and shot a splendid goal. An exceptional piece of forward play produced the second goal. Webster put the ball to Kemp-Welch, who shot well to the left of Garland-Wells, who had not the least chance of saving.

The game began at a splendid pace, and not for a moment did the speed slacken, and the keenness of the sides remained a noticeable feature to the end.

Oxford—B. M. Garland-Wells (St. Paul's and Pembroke); W. B. Goulding (Winchester and Christ Church), D. Lomax (Eton and Magdalen); F. G. T. Kingsley (Winchester and New College), E. H. Bradshaw (Malvern and Trinity), A. T. Barber (capt.) (Shrewsbury and Queen's); E. W. Tomm (Wyggeston and Queen's), G. S. Jones (King's School, Chester, and St. Catherine's), G. T. Ansell (Sevenoaks G.S. and Jesus), H. Brogden (Blackburn G.S. and Exeter), R. A. S. Jerome (Winchester and Christ Church).

Cambridge—R. T. Vaughan (capt.) (Repton and Caius), J. A. Cook (Westminster and Peterhouse), C. H. J. Hill (Malvern and Trinity); R. B. Beare (Charterhouse and Jesus), G. A. R. Green (Shrewsbury and Pembroke), R. R. Vesser-Smith (Lancing and Pembroke); A. H. Fabian (Highgate and Pembroke), G. C. Grant (Trinidad and Christ's), G. D. Kemp-Welch (Charterhouse and Sidney-Sussex), W. H. Webster (Highgate and Pembroke), C. I. Barty-King (Winchester and Pembroke).

This game was the seventh draw in the series of 32 engagements between the Universities. Oxford have won 23, and Cambridge 22.

IRISH CUP—SECOND ROUND.

The ties in the second round of the Irish Cup, drawn last night, provides two very interesting matches in the meeting of Celtic and Ballymena (the holders) at Celtic Park, and Linfield and Coleraine at Coleraine. The other matches are Glenavon v. Newry Town, Larne v. Glentoran. To be played on or before January 11th.

CAMBRIDGE BLUES FOR NOTTS FOREST.

Nottingham Forest F.C. have secured the signatures to amateur forms for R. W. V. Robins and J. Hermon. Both are Cambridge Blues, and Robins, who was captain of the side in 1927-28, is the Kinghand and Middlesex cricketer, and he and Hermon have often turned out for the Corinthian F.C. Another Association Blue, A. C. J. German, who captained Oxford in 1926-27, has been playing regularly at inside right for the Forest's League team this season.

BRITISH BOWLING TEAM'S SUCCESS.

The British Bowls team defeated a team representing Kroonstad and Bethlehem by 144 shots to 97 at Kroonstad, Orange Free State, yesterday.

GOLF.

HOLE IN ONE AT PORTMARNOCK

Mr. J. J. Foley, playing in a fourball with Messrs. Bermingham, Bourke and McGrath, on Tuesday, holed the second hole (184 yards) in one shot.

CLUB NOTICES AND REPORTS.

DUN LAOGHAIRE (KINGSTOWN).

To-morrow—Monthly medal, strokes.

ISLAND.

Ladies' Branch—Finals of medals played in December 11th:—Class I., Miss P. Jameson; Class II., Miss Mona Robertson.

HERMITAGE.

To-morrow—Saturday Cup final, 18 holes; bogey. Sunday—Christmas hamper competition, fourball v. bogey.

CLONTARF.

To-morrow—Monthly Cups, 12 holes, strokes, postponed from 7th inst.

RATHFARNHAM.

Ladies' Branch—December foursomes—Mrs. Irvine and Miss F. Browne, 38½. Monthly medal—Class "A" Mrs. Wilson; Class "B" Mrs. Luce. December 17th—Team match, Class "A" v. Class "B." Draw 10.30.

GRANGE.

To-morrow—Monthly medal, 9 holes, strokes. Saturday, 21st—Christmas hamper competition, 12 holes, strokes.

SUTTON.

Ladies' Branch—Medal winners (1929) competition—1st, Mrs. Cuddy, 100 (24), 76; 2nd, Miss Mannion, 83 (15) 78.

CO. KILDARE.

Ladies' Branch—Club spoon, 9 holes, for the months of November and January. Those wishing to play on the morning arrange opponents. Draw in the afternoon 2.30 p.m.

CHESS.

THE ARMSTRONG CUP.

Last evening the holders of the trophy met this year's recruits to senior rank—University College. The latter made a very respectable show, although at board two they lost at a very early stage. The surprise of the match was Mr. Gerrard's defeat of the Irish champion, who lost a pawn, apparently by inadvertence, and was confronted with a position gradually becoming worse. Mr. M. O'Sullivan played very well for the College, but Mr. Doyle's opponent was too strong for him throughout. The other four games were adjourned.

The players and scores were:—

Sackville.		University College.	
1. T. Baker	0	J. T. Gerrard	1
2. T. P. Kane	1	H. Barry	0
3. C. J. Barry	—	F. Kerlin	—
4. H. N. Bowesman	—	Dr. McGarry	—
5. T. A. V. Haynes	—	D. O'Sullivan	—
6. R. Clarke	0	M. O'Sullivan	1
7. J. N. Halbert ...	1	S. Doyle	0
8. G. R. Haynes ...	—	J. Coogan	—
	—		—
Present Total...	2	Present Total...	2

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RUGBY.

FIRST SCHOOLS TRIAL.

WHITES..... 10 PTS. COLOURS..... 6 PTS.

With a view to discovering the best talent in the Schools for the forthcoming interprovincial matches, the enterprising Schools Committee have arranged for a series of trial matches. The first took place yesterday afternoon on the St. Andrew's College ground, Stillorgan road, where sides, styled Whites and Colours, were in opposition. There was only one change from the originally selected teams, R. Roantree, St. Gerard's, Bray, taking the place of L. Gorman in the Whites' back division. A well-contested and interesting match was the outcome, the Whites winning by two goals from tries to two tries. As the score implies, there was never much between the sides, and much good play was witnessed during the game.

The Whites had rather the better of the opening half, but the Colours were the first to score, a sharp round of passing culminating in Sterling crossing for a try on the left, which went unconverted. Whites attacked after this, and R. Farrell ran through for a try, which Rea converted.

The Colours went off with a strong attack in the second period, and following a sustained attack Sterling went over for a try, after some sharp handling by O'Farrell and Egan. The kick at goal again failed, and then before the finish an intercept by Farrell led on to that player scoring a try for Whites, which Rea goaled.

Farrell, the St Mary's, Dundalk, boy, was the outstanding player on the winning side, and next to him came Rea, Jackson and Douglas. On the Colours' side, Sterling, O'Farrell, Egan, Purcell and Pike were most noticeable. Result:—

Whites ..... 2 goals (10 pts.).
Colours ..... 2 tries (6 pts.).

Teams:—

Whites—Full-back—T. G. Gash (King's Hospital). Threequarters—R. Farrell (St. Mary's, Dundalk), R. E. Northridge (St. Columba's), H. C. Mahoney (King's Hospital), G. T. Rae (Masonic). Half-backs—R. Roantree (St. Gerard's, Bray) and D. Douglas (St. Gerard's, Bray). Forwards—Kearon (St. Andrew's), — Tunney (Sandford Park), — Jackson (St. Columba's), T. Kehoe (St. Mary's, Rathmines), E. Anlin (Diocesan), L. Moran (C.U.S.), A. J. B. Boyd (St. Columba's), G. White (Morgan's).

Colours.—Full-back—C. Murphy (C.U.S.). Threequarters—J. Sterling (Sandford Park), E. Egan (St. Gerard's, Bray), S. E. Keegan (Drogheda G.S.), A. McArthur (St. Mary's, Dundalk). Half-backs—N. O'Farrell (Drogheda G.S.), I. Comniskey (Morgan's). Forwards—J. A. Browne (Masonic), D. Hudson (King's Hospital), J. Stacey (King's Hospital), W. Pike (Drogheda G.S.), F. Harrison (Drogheda G.S.), W. Bruce (Morgan's), B. McKinstry (Morgan's), D. Purcell (St. Gerard's, Bray).

NORTH SIDE SCHOOLS TRIAL.

At Belvedere ground, Saturday, 14th inst. Kick off 2 p.m. Teams:—

WHITES.

Full back—R. Sanrin (Castleknock).

Three-quarters—R. O'Brien (Castleknock), M. Gibson (Castleknock), E. G. Parke (Mountjoy), W. P. Burke (Belvedere).

Half-backs—G. Morgan (Belvedere), P. Quinn (Belvedere).

Forwards—G. McGilbney (Mountjoy), E. Wilsdon (Mountjoy), J. Black (Castleknock), G. Looby (Castleknock), M. Nolan (Belvedere), C. Meagher (Belvedere), I. Hudson (King's Hospital), J. Rafferty (Roscrea).

COLOURS.

Full-back—J. McKenna (Roscrea).

Three-quarters—C. McGuire (Roscrea), C. Moloney (Roscrea), E. Sweetnam (Mountjoy), J. Cashell (Mountjoy).

Half-backs—P. Brennan (Castleknock), T. Kelly (Castleknock).

Forwards—J. Byrne (Castleknock), S. Hopkins (Castleknock), E. Gleeson (Belvedere), G. Dobbs (Belvedere), P. Macken (Mountjoy), W. Coffey (Roscrea), J. O'Donovan (Roscrea), T. Sinnot (Mountjoy).

Reserves:—Full-back—T. G. Gash (King's Hospital). Centre—N. Murphy (Belvedere). Wing—F. Conroy (Belvedere). Scrum-half—N. O'Farrell (Drogheda G.S.). Forwards—L. Ryan (Roscrea), J. Stacey (King's Hospital).

Reserves are requested to attend.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.

COLOURS TEAM AGAINST CAMBRIDGE.

The following will represent Dublin University *versus* Cambridge University at Lansdowne road on Tuesday, December 17th:—Full-back, P. T. Mullaney; three-quarters, J. F. MacNeice, *H. McNeilly, W. G. R. Longbery, and R. W. Foy; half-backs, *J. C. D. Hewat (capt.) and J. W. Stokes; forwards *H. L. Dixon, *V. J. Pike, *F. C. Jackson, *J. L. Baxter, *H. Michael, D. L. Graham, *H. V. Tighe and *G. K. Graham. *Denotes old colourman.

CAMBRIDGE ON TOUR.

BEATEN BY NEWPORT.

Cambridge University, with twelve of the side beaten by Oxford on Tuesday—Guy Morgan, the captain, was one of the absentees—suffered defeat at Newport, yesterday, the home side winning a high scoring game by two goals, one penalty goal and three tries (22 points) to three tries (9 points).

Some four thousand people watched an exciting struggle in the opening half. Early on Smeddle gave Cambridge the lead with an unconverted try, but Jerman, following a grand dribble, crossed for Newport, and Everson was successful with the place kick. Cambridge regained the lead when Burnaby gained a try, but shortly before the interval Morley put Newport in front once more. Newport played in irresistible fashion at the start of the second half, Everson kicking a penalty goal and Morley gaining a try in the first ten minutes, while a little later Hordern also crossed the Cambridge line, and Everson again succeeded with the kick. Continuing to have the best of matters, Newport got their fifth try through Watkins, who scored following a capital bout of passing, and it was not until the last minute of the game that Greenwood went over for Cambridge. Result:—

Newport—3 goals (1 penalty), 3 tries (22 points).
Cambridge University—3 tries (9 points).

LONGFORD V. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE 2ND.

County Longford had an easy victory in the match with University College 2nd yesterday in Longford Park. University came without its full team and substitutes had to be provided. It was an uninteresting game and scrappy from start to finish. Result:—

Longford—12 points.
University College 2nd—Nil.

TO-MORROW'S PRINCIPAL FIXTURES.

SENIOR INTER-PROVINCIAL.

Ulster v. Leinster, Ravenhill, Belfast, 2.30.

SENIOR CLUB GAMES.

Palmerston v. Dublin University, Clonskeagh, 2.30. University College v. Bective Rangers, Terenure, 2.30.

Blackrock College v. Lansdowne, Williamstown, 2.30.

Wanderers v. Clontarf, Lansdowne road, 2.30.

Monkstown v. Old Wesley, Sydney parade, 2.30.

NORTH SCHOOLS TRIAL.

Whites v. Colours, Belvedere Park, 2.0.

ROSSLARE HARBOUR v. COLLEGIANS (WATERFORD).—Played at Rosslare Harbour, resulting in a win for Rosslare Harbour by 2 tries (6 points) to nil. T. N. Reddy and J. Roche scored.

CROSS-CHANNEL RESULTS.

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

	Points.		Points.
East Midlands.....	11	Warwickshire.....	9

ATHLETICS.

PEACE CONFERENCE AT DUNDALK.

MR. HUME AS CHAIRMAN.

We have been informed by Mr M'Gilton, Secretary of the National Athletic and Cycling Association, that the conference between the Northern Ireland Association and the N.A.C.A. will be held at Dundalk to-morrow at 12 o'clock, and that Mr. Hume, of the Scottish Association, will preside.

BADMINTON.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Woodbrook v. St. Andrew's (Dolphin's Barn)—To-night, at The Hull, Woodbrook, at 7.30 o'clock. Woodbrook team:—Misses V. Cummins, T. Murry, E. Higginbotham and Una McMullan, Messrs. E. J. O'Boyle, G. Adamson, J. O'Carroll, W. Brady. sub.—Miss N. McMullan.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH V. LINDRUM.

A break of 774 by Lindrum featured the afternoon session at Birmingham yesterday. Lindrum had the better of the play, averaging 79 against Smith's 36. Smith only added 8 to his overnight unfinished run of 291, and then Lindrum had his big break. He reached 482 before he got close cannon position, and after making 67 nursery cannons his figure went to 758 before the red was covered. He encountered further trouble, and at 774 he broke down at a short jenny to the left middle pocket. Smith added 157, and towards the end contributed 250. Lindrum played out time with an unfinished 210. Interval scores:—Lindrum (in play), 8,162; Smith, 5,817.

Closing scores:—Lindrum, 9,168; Smith, 6,650.

NEWMAN V. DAVIS.

Davis reduced his arrears at the first session at Thurston's, London, yesterday, by scoring 842 against 765. Newman carried his overnight unfinished break of 102 to 168, and later had runs of 225 and 344, while Davis, who displayed improved form, had 200, 409 and 181 unfinished. Interval scores:—Newman, 7,086; Davis (in play), 4,622.

Closing scores:—Newman (in play), 7,492; Davis, 5,897.

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

DUMP IN SECRET ROOM.

DETECTIVES' DISCOVERY

(BEFORE MR. COLLINS.)

Sean Russell, giving an address at 66 North Strand, was charged with being in the unlawful possession of a dump which was discovered last Wednesday at the residence of Messrs. P. and J. Russell, 34 Spring Garden street, North Strand.

Sergeant Mark Byrne had charge of the prosecution.

Evidence was given that between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Wednesday Detective Officers Donegan, Swan and Harford visited 34 Spring Garden street, and in a secret room they discovered the following:—

Three bombs, fully charged; four bomb cases, four bomb levers, three bomb springs, two bomb pins, with rings; two pin rings for bombs, four striking pins for bombs, four screw caps for bombs, sixteen detonators, one round .32 ammunition, three rounds .22 ammunition, one large induction coil, one trench wireless set, one theodolyte in case, one case of theodolyte rulers, 165 Ordnance Survey maps and one electric shock box.

Mr. Sean Russell entered the house by opening the door with a key, and was taken into custody on the charge stated. He made no statement.

The Justice remanded the case until Monday next, bail being fixed at £200.

The defendant refused to accept bail.

FIGHT IN LANE.

COURT SEQUEL.

Richard Brogan, described as a professional boxer, with an address in Hill street, was charged on remand with committing an aggravated assault on William Walshe last Saturday in Loftus lane, off Bolton street, Dublin.

Brogan gave evidence in his own behalf, and stated that he had been a professional boxer for sixteen years, and had one of the biggest reputations in the country.

The Justice—What is Walshe?

Brogan—He is a light heavy-weight.

The Justice—And what are you?—I am a fly-bantam.

The Justice—There is a great deal of difference between you in size and weight.

Brogan—He has the size and weight, and I have the science and strength.

Describing the fight in Loftus lane, Brogan said that there was a party there about to play a game of pitch and toss. While they were waiting to commence Walshe taunted witness with a fight they had four months ago in Henrietta street.

"KNOCKED OUT."

"I then asked him," said witness, "if he was as good a man as he was four months ago, and he said he was. That did it; so we peeled off and got into it. It was a fair fight, and I dislocated my thumb in knocking him out with a right swing to the eye."

Walshe—Tell the truth. You kicked me in the eye.

Brogan—I never did an unfair thing in my life, and I fought Walshe fairly and squarely and packed him off to hospital like a man. (Laughter.)

Thomas Walshe, a labourer, said that the fight in Loftus lane lasted twenty minutes, and was fair. There was no kicking in it.

Walshe (the injured man)—You were there keeping "Nix" for the police and getting paid for it.

Brogan—And you get some of the money out of the pitch and toss school yourself.

Walshe—Indeed, I do not. The gang running it is too strong for me. (Laughter.)

The Justice—I knew there was money at the back of this thing.

Walshe—There is £14 or £15 in this "school" every Sunday.

The Justice—That is as good as professional boxing.

Brogan—Oh, no. I often got £60 for a bout in the ring.

BOUND TO THE PEACE.

The Justice (to Brogan)—Are you bound to the peace now?—I think I am—for throwing a glass of milk over a man.

The Justice—And the glass followed it?—The glass slipped out of my hand. (Laughter.)

The Justice held that the assault had been proved, and imposed a fine of £2 on Brogan, who was also bound to the peace.

PRISON FOR ASSAULT ON GUARD.

SUNDAY MORNING SCENE.

The adjourned case of Guard 237 C against Andrew Fleming for assaulting him in Gloucester street last Sunday morning was resumed. With Fleming on this occasion there stood in the dock a labourer, Patrick Carpenter, who was similarly charged.

The Guard repeated his evidence of last Monday, and said that of the two Carpenter caused him the greatest injury.

Fleming, in his defence, said that he was talking to Carpenter, and the Guard intervened and caused trouble.

Carpenter said that his attitude on the occasion was to assist the Guard.

The Justice—It was a strange method of assistance to use a brick, a baton and a belt on the Guard.

Carpenter—There was blood and desolation all over the place, and the air was full of stones, bricks and sticks, with the women calling on the men to get into it and do for the Guards.

The Justice—You might have killed the Guard.

Carpenter—I helped him as long as I was allowed.

The Justice sentenced Carpenter to two months' imprisonment, with hard labour, and fined him 10s. for using bad language. Fleming was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour and ordered to pay 10s. for using bad language.

Carpenter—I want to appeal against the sentence.

The Justice—You can please yourself.

ALLEGED THEFT OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

CHARGE AGAINST CONTRACTOR AND LABOURER.

The hearing was resumed of the case in which Guards 97 B and 191 B charged Thomas Murphy, building contractor, Thomas street, and John Willis, a labourer, of Marrowbone lane, for stealing from the residence of Mr. F. C. Poliky, 61 Adelaide road, a quantity of slates, tiles, sheet lead, lead water piping, gas piping and window frames, value for about £40.

Mr. E. H. Burne, solicitor, appeared for the Guards. Mr. Gearoid O'Sullivan (instructed by Mr. M. Noyk) appeared for the defence.

Mr. Poliky, in reply to Mr. Burne, said that on the evening of November 16 a person called on him and showed him something which made him produce his cheque book and show certain counterfoils.

Mr. Burne—What did the caller show you?—A revolver.

Cross-examined by Mr. O'Sullivan—He is a medical student and engages in a little teaching.

Mr. O'Sullivan—What countryman are you?

Witness—I consider that a very nasty question.

The witness was then taken through the contract in detail, and also the plan. He said that he was told by one of the plumbers that the pipes were leaking and that new pipes would be necessary. He denied that he personally sold lead to a Mr. Boland, of the Coombe. It was not true that Mr. Murphy had done £150 worth of work which was not in the contract. There were floors put in the two top rooms which were not in the contract. Some new windows also were put in and two fireplaces and tiles.

Mr. O'Sullivan—I understand that you worked on this job yourself?—Only I did I would not have a house now. (Laughter.)

Do you agree that you still owe Murphy £120?—I cannot, as Murphy went away without finishing the work.

Mr. O'Sullivan (pointing to a slate)—How do you identify that as your property?

Witness—The same way as you would identify your mother if you met her in the street.

The Justice—You must not answer like that, sir. You must conduct yourself.

Answering Mr. Burne, witness said that he was a Britisher and had been in Ireland since 1923. Before that he was in London playing in an orchestra and making and repairing violins.

Answering the Justice, witness said that he was half-way through his medical course now.

At this stage the case was adjourned until January 6.

TALE OF A DOG.

TERRIER THAT NOTICED ONLY IRISH SPEAKERS.

(BEFORE MR. LITTLE.)

Thomas Gibney, of Upper Dorset street, was charged by Guard William Stapleton (109 D) with having taken possession of a valuable Irish terrier and failed to return it to its owner, Mr. William O'Dwyer, of Wigan road, Drumcondra, or notify the Civic Guards of the matter.

The evidence was that the dog was lost on August 14 last.

The defence was that the defendant found the animal in Bolton street, and did not think it necessary to report it to the Guards.

During the evidence it was suggested that the dog had been clipped with a scissors to render difficult its recognition.

The owner said that the animal was a remarkable one, and would notice persons when addressed in Irish and ignored those who spoke English.

The Justice applied the Probation Act.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN SOUTH DUBLIN

RELIEF DISBURSEMENTS.

At a meeting of the Rathdown Board of Guardians, Mr. A. W. Cullen (Chairman) presiding, Mr. Cuniam (clerk) read a report of the conference which was held in Kingstown Town Hall, on December 6th, between Dail Deputies of the county and representatives of the various public bodies in the Rathdown area, to find ways and means of alleviating the prevailing unemployment. A sub-committee, comprising Mr. A. W. Cullen (Chairman), Mr. T. J. McKenna (Chairman, Blackrock U.D.C.), Mr. J. Maguire (Chairman, Dalkey U.D.C.), Mr. William Rollins (Dun Laoghaire U.D.C.), Mrs. Butler (Rathdown Guardians), and Mr. Harmon (Killiney U.D.C.), the Deputies of the county, and the engineers of the public bodies represented, was formed to go into the matter, with a view to laying suggestions before the Minister for Local Government and Public Health. On Monday last the Chairman requested the Clerk to write to the Minister, asking him to receive the deputation, but up to the present he had received no reply.

Estimates by the relieving officers of the money required for outdoor relief during December were as follows:—Dun Laoghaire (Mr. Owens), £820; Blackrock and Stillorgan (Mr. Farrell), £350; Dundrum and Glencullen (Mr. Sutton), £150; Shankill and Rathmichael (Mr. Lynch), £100; Dalkey and Killiney Mr. Quirke), £40. The returns of outdoor relief distributed during the past week were:—Dun Laoghaire (ordinary) £94 18s. 6d., (exceptional) £106 15s. 6d.; Killiney (ordinary) £14 1s., (exceptional) £2 5s.; Dundrum and Glencullen (ordinary) £15 18s. 6d., (exceptional) £12 12s.; Shankill and Rathmichael (ordinary) £19 7s., (exceptional) £9 12s.

HOWTH SUMMIT 'BUS.

COMMISSIONER TO ACT ON COMPLAINTS.

Mr. P. J. Meghen, Commissioner for the Howth Urban District, held a sitting yesterday at which he announced that he was taking steps to prevent the driving of heavy vehicles on the road from Sutton Cross to Howth Summit, as this road was not suitable for such traffic and there were several dangerous corners.

Complaints have been made that a 'bus had been tearing up the road and that it has been a source of danger to private motor owners.

The Commissioner struck a water rate of 1s. in the £ for the year ending the 31st of March, 1930.

THE ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

The members of the Royal Irish Academy of Music met (Mr. Dermod O'Brien, P.R.H.A., presiding) in the Academy yesterday for the purpose of electing four governors to represent the members on the Board of Governors for the years 1930, 1931 and 1932. The outgoing governors—Mrs. R. I. Best, Messrs. W. H. Brayden, O.B.E., Denis McCullough and Lennox Robinson—were unanimously re-elected. A vote of condolence with the relatives of the late Commendatore Esposito was passed in silence. The meeting then terminated. At a meeting of the Board of Governors held subsequently Miss Annie Fagan was appointed professor of the harp.

THE LATE MR. J. B. M'MAHON.

The funeral of Mr. J. B. McMahon, who was a much-respected official of the Dublin Corporation, took place at Glasnevin on Wednesday. A large and representative attendance testified to the high esteem in which Mr. McMahon was held by the members of his profession and a wide social circle. The following were the chief mourners:—Bertie and Aileen (son and daughter); John Condon, — O'Driscoll (brothers-in-law).

Others attending the funeral included the following:—Commissioner Dr. Dwyer, Gerald J. Sherlock, Town Clerk; Professor Hayes, Speaker, Dail Eireann; Horace T. O'Rourke, City Architect; Joseph Sherwin, J. F. Owens (L.G. Housing Department); P. J. Dillon, Leo P. Lawler, J. Smith, Thomas Bourke, B. F. Healy, F. J. Hanlon, P. O'Byrne, J. J. Murphy, P. J. Munden, John Kenny, A. Sheehan, L. Lemass. Representing the Municipal Lawn Tennis Club—C. P. MacNamara, J. Scully, P. Forde, J. Delahunty, J. K. C. Edwardes, W. F. Owens, J. J. O'Brien, J. J. Higginbotham, Walter and Joseph McDermott, Peter Gallagher, John Comerford, Joseph Clarke, G. G. Woods, P. J. Caulfield, W. E. Crawford, P. J. Birmingham, Louis Owens, D. G. Phillips, F. C. Tucker, Robert Waldron, J. A. O'Connor, J. D. Allison, F. J. Reddy, Arthur O'Connor, C.E.; Melfort Dalton, A. E. Bennett, James J. Doyle, Hugh Cummins, Alec Morton, E. J. Fitzgerald, N. O'Connell Redmond, J. T. Higgins, R. T. V. Adams, M.A.; G. C. McGough, J. F. Munden, Master M. Weldon, Miss Weldon, M. P. Maher, George Gilbert, H. de B. Ellis, T. F. Slevin, Horace May, E. J. Hess, A. Mulligan, E. W. Carey, George Huband (Newlands Golf Club), Captain Sean Kavanagh, Joseph F. Tyndall, John Picknell (London), Lambert Patterson, B.L.; Liam Owens, Leinster Cricket Club; John Mackay, Thomas A. Crampton, W. H. Kavanagh, James Mackay (jun.), P. Brophy, Denis Hickie (jun.), John O'Brien, J. J. Kelly.

Wreaths were sent from:—Alice and children; City Architect's Staff, Leinster Cricket Club 3rd XI., Margaret Weldon and family; Staff, Hynes's Restaurant; Dick, Jack and Nora; Cyril, Herbert, Reggie and George Ellis; Gilbert and Bob Moore, Lambert Patterson, Housing Department; Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien and family.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

TONE AND COMMENT.

DUBLIN AGAIN BRIGHTER.

BANK RATE REDUCTIONS.

The anticipated further reduction in the official value of money materialised in London yesterday, and proved helpful on balance to all departments on 'Change, though not to the extent hoped for, as, after the first satisfactory gains were registered, profit-taking sales influenced quotations downwards, so that best prices were not maintained. Irish Banks do not reduce the charge on discounts, which continues at 6 p.c., the level fixed in 21st ult.; but loans on Government Stocks transferred have been reduced by ½ p.c. to 5 p.c., while the allowance on deposits is reduced by ½ to 2½ and ½ p.c. to 3 p.c. on sums of £500 and over.

Government National Loans did not alter, but British Funds improved ⅛ to ¼. Banks show a couple of trifling changes. Guinness Ord. were still realised, but opened and closed only 1½d. lower at 90s. 9d. Support was quiet, as to-day will be the last dealing day for the coming Settlement on 19th inst. Rails were idle and dull, with dealings only in Great Southern Debs. at a fall. Trams, Trusts, Gas, and Drapery Shares were neglected. "Bats" and the New Second Pref., as well as Imperials in the Tobacco group, were all higher. Coats remain very steady. Courtaulds and Margarines opened easier, but on the fall in the Bank rate spurted, though in both cases, especially the latter, the price was eventually carried to a lower level. Chemicals opened nearly 1s. higher, and then turned weak once more. Dunlops and Gouldings both hardened a trifle. Brooks Thomas Ord. were weaker, and gave way.

LONDON STEADY.

GILT-EDGED FIRM.

A rather firmer tendency was manifest in several directions in the London Stock markets yesterday, following the announcement of the reduction of the Bank rate to 5 per cent. The volume of business put through, however, continued on a small scale, and the movements recorded were usually of small denomination. The Gilt-edged section made a good showing, the big influx of gold during the past week and the Bank rate reduction exercising a beneficial influence. India Stocks were an exceptionally firm market, there being a good demand from India. Foreign Government Stocks, on the other hand, were easier inclined in a number of instances, Brazilians and Chinese continuing on the down grade. Extremely quiet conditions again prevailed in the Home Rail section, but a satisfactory tendency ruled. Apart from a rise of ½ point in Southern Preferred Ordinary, however, final levels were not materially altered from Wednesday. Colonial and Foreign Rails presented an easier front, Cordoba Centrals losing fresh ground, while "Can Pacs," "Leos" and United Havanas all lost the turn.

In the Industrial sections the international issues moved uncertainly, though several firm spots were apparent. Shipping descriptions made a dull showing, R.M.S.P. losing further ground before rallying again. There were a number of bright features among the Mining descriptions. Oils, as a whole, were unsettled, with Attocks heavy.

DUBLIN BUSINESS DONE.

FUNDS GOOD, TOBACCOS AND COURTAULDS BETTER. CHEMICALS AND MARGARINES UNDER BEST.

Government National 5 per cent. Sterling repeated 99⅞ div. Second 5 per cent. 98¼, and Compensation 5 per cent. 96¼, while Land Bonds 4½ per cent. were bid up ⅛ to 87½, but did not offer.

British Funds were better. Consols rose ⅛ to 52⅞, War Loan 5 per cent. ¼ to 100⅛, and Conversion 3½ per cent. ⅞ to 74⅞.

In Bank, Hibernians rose ¼ to 10⅞, but Nationals fell 3d. to 46s. 7½d., while Bank Stock repeated 308⅞ and Munster and Leinsters 6⅛. Provincials offered at 27, and Royals at 13⅞.

Dealing in Breweries, etc., was confined to Guinness Ord., which eased 1½d. to 90s. 9d., while the Pref., last quoted at 10½, did not offer under 11.

Steam, Canal, Cables, Rail Ord., Pref. and Guaranteed, Trams, Trusts, Gas, Drapery, Oil, Land and Miscellaneous markets were all drawn blank.

In Bakery Shares, a few Bolands Ord. were dealt in again at 35s.

As regards Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco rose 1s. to 122s., ditto 2nd Pref. 6d. to 22s. 1½d., 2½s. 3d., and Imperials 3d. to 99s. Coats Ord. opened 3d. better at 66s. 9d., and then eased back to 66s. 6d. Courtaulds opened 4½d. lower at 55s. 9d., and then followed 56s. 9d., 7s. 1½d., 6s. 3d., 5s. 4½d. Dunlops hardened 1½d. to 14s. 7½d., and Gouldings rallied 3d. to 78s. Imperial Chemicals opened 10½d. higher at 28s. 10½d., but later fell back to 28s. 3d. The Deferred improved 3d. to 10s. 3d. Margarine "Unie" repeated 66s., after 66s. 6d., and the "Union" Shares fell 1s. to 65s., after earlier dealings at 65s. 9d., 5s. 6d., 7s. 9d., 8s.

In Trading, etc., Brooks Thomas Ord. fell 1s. 3d. to 23s. 3d., while Burke Pref. repeated 57s.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

Nat. Loan...(98½) 98½		Courtaulds.(56 1½)	55/9
Second Loan.(98½) *98½		6/9 7½ 6/3 6/4½	
Compens. Stk.(98½) 98½		Chemicals.(28/-)	28/10½
Land Bonds 87½			8/3
Consols .....(52½) 52⅞		Do. Def.....(10/-)	10/3
5% War Loan		Dunlops ....(14/6)	14/7½
(99½) 100/-		Goulding ....(77/9)	78/-
Conver. Loan.(74½) 74½		Marg. Unie..(66/-)	66/6
Bank Stk..(308⅞) 308⅞			6/-
Hibernian ....(10⅞) 10⅞		Do. Union..(66/-)	65/9
Mup. & Lein.(6⅛) *6⅛		5/6 7/9 8/- 5/-	
National.(46 10½) 46/7½		Brooks Ord..(24/6)	23/3
Guinness..(90 10½) 90/9		Burke Pref..(57/-)	57/-
G.S. Debs..(59½) 58½ *8			
Bolands Ord.(35/-) 35/-		B.A.T. New Pref.	
B.A.T.-.....(121/-) 122/-			22/1½ 2/3
Imp. Tobac.(98 9) 99/-		Inter. Nickel $33	
Coats...(66/6) 66/9 6/6			

* Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' Rate (Nov. 21, '29)...	6 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred	5 %
Deposits under £500	2½ %
Deposits of £500 and over	3 %

The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango	Dec. 16 Jan. 6
Ticket	Dec. 17 Jan. 7
Intermediate	Dec. 18 Jan. 8
Account day	Dec. 19 Jan. 9

BELFAST.

Business done:—5 p.c. War Loan, 100½; 4 p.c. Consols, 84½; Conversion Loan, 74½; Ulster Loan, 88½; Midland Bank (partly paid), 8¾. Belfast Corporation ½ p.c., 99¾, and 1940 Stock, 81. J. and P. Coats, 66s.; British-American Tobacco, 121s. 3d., 121s. Cuthberts, 37s. 6d.; Dunlops, 14s. 7½d., 15s. 1½d.; Lever 8 p.c. Pref., 22s. 7½d.; Shell Transport, 4½; Imperial Chemical Def., 10s. 3½d.; Margarine Unions, 65s.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—29.90.

Wind and Weather—Strong Westerly winds, dull and overcast, passing showers.

Foreign Arrival—West Hobomac, of Seattle (U.S.A.), 3,385 tons register, Captain Hewett, from New Orleans (via Glasgow and Belfast), with general cargo, discharging at Transit Sheds, North Wall Extension.

Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Louth, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Lairdsglen, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Slieve Donard, Slieve Bawn, from Holyhead, with goods; Lady Carlow, from Liverpool, with goods; Lady Emerald, from London, with goods; Sagenite, from Blyth, with coals; Glencullen, from Glencullen, with coals; Ruby, Olderfleet, from Ayr, with coals; Lady Kerry, Lady Meath, from Liverpool, light; Mellifont, from Holyhead, light.

COMPANY NOTICES.

THE LINEN THREAD COMPANY, LIMITED

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the 4 per cent. DEBENTURE STOCK will be CLOSED from 17th to 31st inst., both days inclusive, preparatory to payment of Half-Year's Interest on 1st January, 1930.

By Order of the Board,
J. W. MACDONALD, Secretary.

83 Bothwell-street, Glasgow,
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INDUSTRIAL MARKET.

UNCERTAIN TENDENCY.

RALLY IN ROYAL MAILS.

Although a steadier tone was noticeable in the Industrial market yesterday after the Bank rate reduction, a recurrence of forced liquidation caused a change in sentiment later. "Anglo-American" issues reacted rather sharply in the afternoon, particularly Brazil Tractions, which were affected, with the rest of the Brazilian group, by the weakness of the milreis.

There was a further marking down of prices for Royal Mail Stocks at the opening, but supporting orders induced a rally later. The Ord. eventually finished at 32½ after dipping as 25, with the 5 p.c. Pref. closing at 42 after 37½, and the 6½ p.c. Pref. at 47½ after changing hands as low as 37. Elder Dempster 5½ p.c. Prefs. steadier to 12s. 6d., and the Sixes to 10s. 6d. P. and O. Defd. continued in favour, closing with an advance of 1s. 3d. to 54s. 6d. Other Shipping issues were quietly steady.

Insurance shares remained on the dull side without much variation. Banks were fairly well maintained.

A reactionary tendency developed among the trans-Atlantic issues, the feature being a sharp decline at the finish in Brazilian Traction Common, which left off with a loss of 4 at 42½. Hydros fell away from 46½ to 44½, and Nickels were finally a dollar down at 32⅞.

Radio Corporations reacted 2 to 47, but Cables "B" held at 38, with Marconi Marines closing at 2⅞ and Canadian Marconis at 18s. 9d.

Columbia Graphophones had buyers at first around 7⅞, but they came back in "street" dealings to 6½. H.M.V.'s were fairly well maintained at 4⅞, with Vocalions steadier at 15s.

The report of the British Cement Products Company confirmed the worst fears of the market, and the Ord. shares were nominally quoted at ⅛ ⅛ at the commencement of business yesterday, compared with a middle price of 5s. 9d. at the close on Wednesday. Later the Ord. were marked rather better at 1s. 9d., when the Deferred were called 6d., after 4½d. Allied Cements were unaffected at 1s. 3d.

In the Land and Investment department Carmelite Trusts changed hands at 2s., while Anglo-Atlantic Ord. were levelled to 2s. and the Deferred to 3d. Little disparation was seen to give fresh support to Electricals. Coal and Engineering issues remained undecided.

The brightest spot in the Motor section was provided by Dennis, which strengthened ⅛ to 2⅞. with Rolls-Royce also inquired for.

Most of the interest in the Rayon section seem to centre around American Celanese Common, which further improved ¼ to 7⅞. Other issues in this section, however, had a dull appearance. Courtaulds became easier after a firm start, the final quotation of 2⅞ leaving them ⅛ down on balance; they were 2⅞ buyers at one time. British Celanese Ord. lost the turn at 20s.

Textiles showed little variation throughout, and, apart from a decline of 6d. to 3⅞s. in Bradford Dyers, the leaders finished unaltered.

Margarine issues hardened at first, only to slip back later, both the Unions and Unies closing at 5⅛, after being 5⅛.

Among Breweries, Benskins encountered sellers again, and fell away 2s. further to 71s., while Allsopps at 25s. failed to benefit from the publication of the report. Guinness strengthened to 90s. 6d., and Mentzs improved to 35s., while Distillers reacted to 71s. Obissons yielded 6d. to 29s. 3d., and South Africans a similar amount to 56s. 9d. Peter Walkers at 77s. 6d. and Watney Deferred at 56s. shed a few pence.

The Tobacco leaders ruled steady. Carreras "A" and "B" left off unchanged at 13½ and 32s. 9d. respectively, and "Imps" also closed unaltered at 4½, but "Bats" hardened slightly to 6⅛. United Molasses proved a firm spot in the neighbourhood of 5½, closing the turn higher at that level. An early statement from the board is predicted in market circles.

Krenger and Toll recovered to 25½, and Swedish Match reached 16. Inveresks hardened to ⅞. Dunlops put on 3d. further to 14s. 9d.

RECENT ISSUE DEALINGS.

"Bats" new Preferences remained at 21s. 7½d., after a moderate business, and Prudential new "A" also finished without change at 15 premium. Gilford Motors changed hands at 12s. 9d., and Sunfruit Products held at 7s. 9d., with Taylor Walker new steady around 1s. 7½d. premium.

OIL SHARES MODERATELY ACTIVE.

Oil shares commanded only a moderate amount of attention yesterday, and the market proved sensitive to comparatively small purchases or sales. The firmer tendency in New York on the preceding day failed to influence the market on this side, while dealings on Continental account were of little importance. Royal Dutch reflected small sales on account of Amsterdam, and New York dealings on Paris account consisted merely of alternating small purchases and sales of the Eagle issues, but the selling outweighed the buying, for both shares finished easier. In the Trinidad group Apex commanded a fair amount of attention, for the reason that the final dividend in respect of the year ended September 30 last is expected to be announced over the coming week-end. Among Miscellaneous descriptions a weak feature was provided by Attocks, of which there was renewed selling following the statement by the directors, which was not of a reassuring nature. The price of the shares weakened appreciably at one time, and, although they finished above the worst, an important decline was nevertheless recorded.

RUBBER SHARES QUIET.

Quiet conditions again prevailed in the Rubber Share market, but, with the continued steadiness evident in the commodity market, share values were well maintained, while here and there further appreciations were recorded. In the raw material section spot and December opened at 8⅞d. per pound, but, after easing slightly to 8d., regained the higher level. January to March and April to December moved on similar lines, the former closing at 8½d. and the latter at 8⅞d. per pound.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN.

Although the Bank return shows an addition of over £3,000,000 to the coin and bullion, raising that item to £137,434,418, the reserve is nearly £907,000 down for the week at £32,276,330. This is because of a seasonal expansion of £4,000,000 in the note circulation. The other securities showed very little change, those relating to discounts and advances being £705,000 lower, and the others £739,000 higher. Government securities are £235,000 up, and there is an increase of £856,000 in the public deposits. As a result of these changes the private deposits are £646,000 lower at £94,471,617. The proportion of reserve to liabilities is ⅛ down at 31¼ per cent.

WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 11, 1929.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes Issued—		Govt Debt. ..	£11,015,100
In Circulation.....	£365,158,088	Other Govt. Securities	233,219,917
In Banking Dept.	31,848,859	Other Securities	10,942,367
		Silver Coin...	4,823,616
		Amount of Fiduciary Issue	280,000,000
		Gold Coin and Bullion	137,006,947
Total	£397,006,947	Total	£397,006,947

BANKING DEPARTMENT

Proprietors' Capital.....	£14,553,000	Government Securities ...	£60,663,619
Rest	3,351,506	Other Securities — Discounts and Advances ...	8,827,805
Public deposits	8,859,520	Securities	19,470,351
Other deposits— Bankers.....	58,072,562	Notes	31,848,859
Other Accts.	36,359,055	Gold & Silver Coin	427,471
7day & other Bills	2,261		
Total	£121,237,904	Total	£121,237,904

The following shows the position of the Bank of England now and at same date in the previous two years:—

	1929	1928	1927.
	£	£	£
Circulation excluding 7-day and other Bills	365,158,088	374,821,761	137,248,625
Public Deposits	8,859,520	7,624,750	8,721,037
Other Deposits	94,471,617	104,146,132	101,841,787
Govt. Securities	60,663,619	59,106,855	41,308,992
Other Securities	28,297,956	28,195,166	54,744,806
Reserve of Notes & Coin	32,276,330	42,369,997	32,410,069
Coin & Bullion	137,434,418	157,191,056	149,908,694
Reserve to Liabilities	31¼%	37⅞%	29⅛%
Bank Rate.....	5%	4½%	4½%
Consols	52½	56	54½
Bar Silver.....	22⅝d	26¼d	26⅞d.
Gold	£	£	£
Bar Gold.....	Before 85,710,000	86,765,000	86,153,000

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

—	Closing.		Rise or fall.
Consols 2½%	52	53⅞	.....
Do. 4%	94	94½	.....
War Loan 5½%	99	99	.....
Do. 5%	99	100¼	.....
Do. 4%	99½	100¼	.....
Funding Loan	88	89	+ ½
Victory Bonds	21½	22½	+ ½
2½% Conversion Loan	74	74½	.....
4½% Conversion Loan	93	94	.....
5% Conversion Loan (part paid)	1/16	3/32pm.	.....
Irish Land 3¼%	55	57	.....
India 3%	53	55*	+2
Do. 3½%	62	65*	+2
Do. 4½%	82	85	+1
Do. 5½%	100½	101½	+ ½
Local Loans	61	62*	.....
Sudan 3½%	104	105	.....

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Australian Com. 5 p.c.	89	91	.....
Do. do. 6 p.c.	98	100	.....
British Columbia, 4½ p.c. 1941	92	94	.....
Canada 4 p.c., 1940-50	87	89	.....
Cape 3½ p.c. Cons.	78	80*	.....
Ceylon 6 p.c.	102	104*	.....
N.S.W. 5 p.c., 1945-55	89	91	+1
Do. 6½ p.c., 1930-40	100	102	.....
New Zealand 5 p.c., 1946	98	100*	.....
Nigeria 6 p.c.	109	111*	.....
Queensland 5 p.c., 1940-60	89	91	.....
South African 5 p.c., 1943-43	98	100*	.....
Do. 6 p.c.	99	101	.....
South Australian 5 p.c., 1932-42	90	92	.....
Do. 6½ p.c.	100	102	.....
Victoria 5 p.c. 1932-42	90	92	.....
Do. 5 p.c., 1945-75	89	91*	.....
Western Australian 5 p.c., 1935-45	89	91	.....
Do. 6 p.c., 1930-40	97	99*	.....

BANKS.

Anglo-South American	6½	7*	.....
Bank of Australasia	11½	12½	.....
Bank of England	246	251	.....
Bank of Montreal	61	65	+1
Bank of New South Wales	38	41*	.....
Bank of New Zealand	56/0	58/0	.....
Barclay's "A" Shares	7/9	8/10	.....
British Overseas	5½	6½	.....
Canadian of Commerce	50	54*	.....
Chartered of India	18⅞	19⅞	.....
Hong Kong and Shanghai	59	61	.....
Lloyds	59/3	60/3	.....
Martins (£1)	7	7½	.....
Midland	8/9	8/9	.....
National Discounts "B"	9½	9¾	.....
National Provincial (£4 pd.)	12⅞	13½	.....
Royal of Canada	60	64	+1
Standard of South Africa	14½	14⅞	— ⅛
Union of Australia	11½	12½	.....
Westminster Bank (£1)	75/0	76/0	+0/3

FOREIGN BONDS.

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100½	Austrian 6 p.c. Guar.	100	102*	.....
100½	Belgian 7 p.c.	106	108	.....
84	Brazil 6½ p.c. S. Rds. '27	81	83	−1
88½	Do. Funding, 1908	95	97	.....
77	Do. 5 p.c. do. 1914	74	76	−1
96	Chinese 5 p.c. 1895	95	97	.....
77½	Do. 4½ p.c. 1898	76½	78½	.....
44½	Do. 5 p.c. 1912	41	43	−1
82	Do. 5 p.c. Reorg. 1913	81	83	.....
66½	Do. Imp. Rg. 5 p.c. Gold	68	71	.....
110½	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	119	111	.....
79½	Egyptian Unified	78½	80½	.....
21½	French Loan 5 p.c.	21	21½	.....
19½	Do. 4 p.c.	19½	20	.....
102½	German 7 p.c.	102	104	.....
99	Greek 7 p.c.	99½	100½	.....
17½	Hungarian Rentes	17	18*	.....
98	Japan 4 p.c. 1905	97	99	.....
19	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	20	22	.....
23	Do. 6 p.c. '13 Tres	23	26	.....
12	Peruvian Corporation	12	13	.....
60	Do. Pref.	60	61	.....
96½	Do. Deb.	97½	99½	.....
83½	Poland 7 p.c. Sterling	83	85	.....
42	Portuguese 5 p.c.	41	43	.....
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	64	69	.....
18	Turkish Unified	17½	1¾*	+ ⅛
—	Ex Arrear Coups.	79	41	.....

BRITISH RAILS.

86¼	Great Western	87	88	.....
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	89	91	.....
52	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	52½	53½	.....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	92	94	.....
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	92	94	.....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	63	67	.....
94¼	Ldn., North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	96½	97½	.....
12½	Do. Def. Ord.	12¼	12¾	.....
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	62	65	.....
61¼	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	57½	59½	.....
72½	Metropolitan	71½	72½	.....
71¼	Southern Pref. Ord.	71½	72½	+1
29½	Do. Def.	29	30	.....
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	84	90	.....
22½	Underground Elec. (£1)	21/0	22/0	.....
100½	Do. Income Bonds	101½	103½	+ ½

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

88½	Antofagasta Ord.	88½	90½	.....
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	82	84	.....
—	Bahia Blanca Guar. Stk.	76	78	.....
99	Buenos Ayres Gt. Stg.	99	101	.....
89	Buenos Ayres & Pacific	88½	90½	.....
83½	Buenos Ayres and W.	83	85	.....
—	Canadian National Guar.	64	66	.....
208	Canadian Pacific	201	204*	−1
85	Central Argentine	85½	87½	.....
81	Do. Def.	80	82	.....
80	Central Uruguay	78½	82*	.....
27½	Cordoba Central	23	25	−1
84	Do. 1st Pref.	81	84	−1
51	Do. 2nd Pref.	46	49	−1
84	Entre Rios	84	86	.....
—	Do. 6 p.c. Cum. Pref	92½	94½*	.....
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar	76	78*	.....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. D.	77	79*	.....
—	Interoceanic of Cent. Amer	28	31	.....
57½	Leopoldina	55½	57½	−1
3¾	Mexican Rails	3	4	.....
11	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	7	9	.....
6	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	5	7	.....
190	San Paulo Ord.	192	197	.....
25	United Havana	23	25	−1

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	233	238	−1
—	Chesapeake	215	220*	+2
—	Chicago, Milwaukee New	27½	28½	.....
55	Erie	63	66	−1
—	Do. 1st Pref.	64	67	.....
—	New York Central	181	184	−2
—	New York Ontario	15	18	.....
—	Pennsylvania	64	67	.....
127	Southern Common	141	144	.....
—	Southern Pacific	125	128	+1
228	Union Pacific	277	282*	−3

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

25½	Allsopp £1 Shares	24/6	25/6	−0/6
66½	Bass, Ratcliff Ord.	64/6	66/6	.....
8/6	Brewery of Vancouver	7/9	8/9	.....
—	City of London Dist. (5/-)	11/3	12/3	.....
62/6	Guinness (Ord.)	85/0	64/0	.....
9/7½	Distillers Ord.	71/6	71/6	−0/6
90/0	Guinness Ord. (£1 units)	90/0	91/0	+0/3
61/0	Hoare and Co.	66/6	62/0	.....
65/0	Ind. Coope Ord.	63/0	65/0	.....
67/0	South African Breweries	56/0	57/6*	−0/6
—	Walker (John) Pref.	21/0	22/0	.....
55/6	Watney Combe Def. (£1)	55/3	56/9	−0/3

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

—	Bournemouth and Poole	35/0	37/6	−0/6
26/0	Charing Cross	25/6	26/6	.....
—	Chelsea Ord.	23/6	25/6	.....
31/6	City of London	30/3	32/3	.....
43/0	County of London	41/6	42/6	.....
—	Lancashire	26/0	27/3	−0/3
27/0	London Electric	25/0	26/0	.....
36/6	Metropolitan	36/0	37/0	−0/3
24/0	Newcastle	23/0	24/0	−0/3
25/0	St. James'	24/0	26/0	.....
—	South London	23/0	24/0	−0/3
22/0	Westminster	24/3	25/3	.....
—	Whitehall Dev. Pref.	22/3	23/9	.....

INSURANCE.

18	Alliance £20 (£2 4/- p.)	17½	18½	.....
17½	Atlas £2 (£1 5/- paid)	15	16	.....
24	Colin, Dn. (£2 paid)	23	24	.....
11½	Eagle Star Ord. £3	10½	11½	.....
3⅝	Re-insurance £1 15/- paid	3⅛	3½	.....
13½	Gen. Accdt. £5 (£1 p.)	12	13	.....
10	Guardian £7 (10/- paid)	9½	10	.....
26½	L. & Lan. Fire £5 (£1 p.)	26	27	.....
10½	Lon. Ass. £24 (£14 p.)	9½	10	+⅛
22½	N.B.A. £25 (£5 5/- paid)	22½	23½	.....
16	Northern £10 (£1 paid)	15	16	.....
13½	Phœnix £10 (£1 paid)	12½	13	.....
14	Do. £1 (£5/- paid)	13½	14	.....
3½	Prudential	2½	2¾	.....
11⅝	Do. "B" £1 (4/- p.)	11 5/16	2⅛	.....
6¼	Royal Exchange	5⅞	6⅛	.....
22½	Sun Ins. £1 (10/- p.)	22½	23½	.....
37	Sun Life £10 (£2 paid)	36	38	.....
52	Sun Life £10	50½	52½	.....
6¼	Yorkshire £5 (10/- p.)	5⅞	6⅛	.....

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

6/9	Amal. Anthracite	6/6	7/0	−0/3
0/10	Armstrong (W. G.)	0/4½	1/7½	.....
61/6	Babcock, Wilcox Ord.	60/6	61/6	−0/6
2/9	Bolckow	2/10½	3/4½	+0/1½
3/8	Brown (John)	3/1½	3/7½	.....
15/0	Buell Concession	15½	15½	+1/2
2/9	Cammell Laird	2/7½	3/1½	.....
39/6	Cory (William)	37/6	39/6	−0/6
7/6	Dorman Long	6/9	7/0	−0/3
31	International Nickels	32¼	32½	−1
4/3	Pease and Partners	4/0	4/6	.....
24/6	South Durham Steel	24½	25½	.....
25/3	Stewarts	24/0	25/0	+0/3
7/3	Vickers Ord.	7/6	8/0	−0/1½

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

41/0	Argentine Land Invest.	2	2¼	.....
22/6	Do. Southern Land	1	1¼	.....
—	City Sao Paulo Impts.	13/0	14/3	+1/1½
17/6½	Central Land	16/0	17/6*	.....
45/-	Hudson's Bay Ord.	47/6	41/10	.....
1½	Hyderabad Deccan	1¼	1½*	.....
3/9	Lake Syndicate	3/3	3/9	.....
1/1½	Rio de Janeiro (1/- sh.)	1/0½	1/1½	.....
2/-	Sugar Plantations	3/1½	3/5½	−1/16

NEWSPAPERS.

1 5/16	Assd. Newspapers Def.	1 5/32	1 9/32	+1/32
1½	Allied News Ord.	1⅛	1½*	.....
—	Amal. Press (New)	20/3	24/9*	.....
3 5/16	Daily Mail Trust	3½	3⅝	+1/32
24/0	Daily Mirror Ord.	27/9	24/9	+0/6
—	Financial Newspapers	16/6	17/6	.....
3 5/32	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	3 1/32	3 3/32	+1/32

MINES.

5½	Alianza	5	6	.....
11/0	Lagunas	9/0	11/0	.....
15/0	Liversight	13/0	15/0	.....
1	New Unimetal	1½	1¾	.....
4/6	Rosario	3½	4	.....
1½	Santiago	1/4	1½	.....
7/6	Tarapaca	6/6	7/6	.....

OILS.

M.U.—December 2.

3 5/32	Anglo-American	2 13/32	2 15/32	−1/32
2 7/32	Anglo-Ecuadorian	2 5/32	2 7/32	−1/32
2 3/16	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	2 1/16	2¼	−1/16
3 15/16	Anglo-Persian Ord.	3 11/16	3½	−1/16
26/3	Do. 6 p.c. 1st Pref.	28 1½	26/7½	.....
7/7½	Do. 6 p.c. 2nd Pref.	7/3	7/9	.....
27	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	26½	27½	.....
1 11/32	Apex Trinidad (5/- shares)	1 1/4	1 5/32	.....
3/3	Attock	1/9	1/3	−1/4
10/4½	British Borneo Pet. (10/-)	9/10½	10/4½	.....
6/9	British Burmah (£5/-)	6/9	7/0	.....
4/3	British Controlled	3/10½	4/1½	.....
8/10½	Do. Pref.	8/7½	8/10½	+0/1½
3/2	Burmah	3/2½	3/3½	.....
28/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	26/0	21/6	.....
10/9	Canadian Eagle Ord.	11/1½	11/7½	−0/1½
11/9½	Do. 7 p.c. 1st. Pref. (£3)	11/10½	12/4½	.....
11/6	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	11/10½	17/4½	−0/1½
1 27/32	Creole Synd.	1 27/32	1 29/32	.....
5½	Eagle Transport Pref.	5½	5⅞	.....
6/7½	Kern River (10/-)	6/1½	6/7½	.....
—	Lobo (no par value)	3½	3 9/16	.....
1 29/32	Lobitos	1 27/32	1 29/32	.....
15/10½	Mexican Eagle Ord.	14/10½	15/4½	−0/3
16/10½	Do. 8 p.c. Pref. New	14/0	15/0	−0/6
18/9	Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref. (4 pesos)	2/10½	8/4½	.....
1/6	North Caucasian (10/-)	2/6	3/0	.....
0/10½	Omnium	0/9	1/3	.....
—	Pan-American	f/1	f/1	.....
9/6	Phœnix Oil	8/9	9/3	−0/3
5/0	Do. 10/- shares	4/3	5/9	.....
37/3	Royal Dutch	37/3	37/9	−¼
4 3/32	Shell Transport	4 3/32	4 5/32	.....
9/16	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9/4	9/4	.....
25/3	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	25/7½	26/1½	.....
6/6	Spies (2/-)	6/6	6/9	.....
9 7½	Steaua Romana	9/9	10/3

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS

ALLEGED FRAUDULENT CONVERSION.

FORMER SECRETARY'S APPEAL.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN AND MR. JUSTICE HANNA.)

In the Court of Criminal Appeal the hearing was continued of the appeal of James Lawless, ex-Secretary of the Dublin County Council, from his conviction and sentence of eighteen months' imprisonment in the second division imposed by the trial judge in the Circuit Court, Green street, on the charge of the fraudulent conversion to his own use of £1,522, the property of the Dublin County Council.

Mr. Dickie, K.C., and Mr. G. Gavan Duffy, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.), appeared for the appellant; and Mr. Lavery, K.C., and Mr. Finlay (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) for the Attorney-General.

Mr. Lavery, resuming his argument on behalf of the Attorney-General, explained the nature of the duties of the secretary of the County Council, and the sources from which his salary and remuneration were to be paid, pointing out that he was obliged to pay over the fees received by him in excess of what was necessary to recoup him for his services, according to the arrangement under which he was appointed to the office of County Council Secretary, and which counsel described as rather complicated. He urged upon the Court that the officer in this particular case was the officer of a local body, and not the officer of the State.

In reply to Mr. Justice Hanna and the Chief Justice,

Counsel said that the case of a rate collector was not exactly analagous to this case. The rate collector might be bound to lodge the amount of his warrant, and his liability did not depend exactly on the rates received. In this case there was a close relation between the registration fees and the office of the Secretary of the County Council.

Mr. Finlay followed on the same side.

The further hearing was adjourned till to-day.

RATHKEALE MARKET.

A CLERKSHIP DISPUTE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH.)

The hearing of the action brought by Stephen Power against Joseph A. Bitchy and other members of the Rathkeale Town Improvement Committee was continued. The plaintiff, claiming to be in possession of the office of clerk of the Rathkeale market, sought an injunction to restrain the defendants from interfering with him in his employment as such clerk, and, in the alternative, damages for alleged wrongful dismissal.

The defendants pleaded that the plaintiff refused to obey their instructions, and that they had no alternative but to dispense with his services.

Mr. Fitzgerald, K.C.; Mr. Martin Maguire, K.C., and Mr. M. J. Connolly (instructed by Mr. M. Tynan) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Lynch, K.C.; Mr. Darden, K.C., and Mr. Liston (instructed by Mr. P. T. Liston) for the defendants.

Further evidence was given on behalf of the defendants, and the hearing had not concluded when the Court rose.

MONEYS IN A WILL.

A TUAM ACTION.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

In a case of Michael Goggins, of the Mall, Tuam, merchant, and Denis Hannon, of Bermingham, Tuam, farmer, against John Burke, of 489 Fourteenth street, San Francisco, the plaintiffs claimed a declaration that sums of £600, £580, and £300, mentioned in the will of John Francis Begley, with interest, from the death of Mr. Begley, were well charged upon the interest of Margaret Begley, deceased, in the farm and lands of Deerpark and Bermingham demesne, in the Barony of Dunmore, Co. Galway, containing 100 acres, plantation measure; an account of what is due to the plaintiffs or either of them in respect of such sums and interest; and an order for the sale of the lands in default of payment, and the appointment of a Receiver over the lands, if necessary.

The plaintiff, Michael Goggins, sued as executor of the will of John Francis Begley, and as such, as the executor of the will of Margaret Begley, wife of John Francis Begley; and the plaintiff, Denis Hannon, sued as legal personal representative of Thomas Hannon, deceased, and as such, as trustee of a settlement executed on the marriage of John Francis Begley and Margaret Begley.

Mr. Leonard, K.C., and Mr. Poole (instructed by Mr. Patrick M. Hosty) appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. McCann, K.C., and Mr. Marnan (instructed by Messrs. O'Keeffe and Lynch) for the defendant.

The plaintiffs' case was opened by Mr. Leonard, who described it as being complicated in details, but working out to a simple proposition in the end. And, when the Court resumed after lunch, he announced that a settlement had been arrived at, the terms of which were that a sum of £550 should be paid to the plaintiffs in full discharge of all claims on foot of their charges, together with their taxed costs out of the proceeds of the sale of the lands, Messrs. O'Keeffe and Lynch undertaking to carry out the sale.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, December 13.

AN CHUIRT ATHCHOMHAIRC CHOIRIULA.

(The Court of Criminal Appeal.)

Sitting in the Supreme Court. At 11 o'clock, For Hearing—The Attorney-General v. James Vincent Lawless (part heard); same v. Declan Aherne; same v. John J. McDonnell; same v. Joseph Neill.

AN PRIMHBHREITHEAMH.

(The Chief Justice.)

Before the Chief Justice, Saorstat Eireann, in the Supreme Court. At the rising of the Court of Criminal Appeal. Adjourned Motion—In the matter of the Solicitors (Ireland) Act, 1898, and in the matter of an application for the re-admission of a Solicitor.

AN CLARATHOIR DO'N PRIMHBHREITHEAMH.

(The Registrar to the Chief Justice.)

Before Dr. Webb, Assistant Registrar—Hodges, minor.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS.

(The High Court.)

In Court 4. At 11 o'clock. Action—Power v. Bitchy (at hearing). Summonses—Fletcher's Trustees, Fletcher v. Fletcher (part heard); O'Connell v. Eddie Jennings' Trusts, Caldbeck v. Stafford. On Tuesday, 17th December. Action—Quinnell v. Co. Kerry Board of Health.

BANKRUPTCY.

In Court No. 2. At 11 o'clock—Arrangements—Collins and Son, P. Glynn, Collins and Son; Redmond, motion, Collins and Son; Warner, final sum., Scallan and Co.; Glancy, confirm sale, Collins and Son; arrangement, account comp., O'Meara and Kieran; do., do., Collins and Son; do., do., Joyce and Joyce; do., audit and dividend, C. B. M. Boyle; Doyle, do., Collins and Son; McGuire, do., J. R. Peart; Nagle and Murphy, audit mtgee.

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DUBLIN CIRCUIT (CRIMINAL) COURT

MISSING SUIT AND SHOES

THEFT CHARGE FAILS.

(BEFORE JUDGE DAVITT.)

James Howard, a young man, was charged that, on August 18 last, at 98 Lower Dorset street, Dublin, he stole a suit of clothes and a pair of shoes, the property of Patrick Kelly.

Mr. Kelly (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) prosecuted.

The accused man cross-examined witnesses in his own defence.

Patrick Kelly, 98 Lower Dorset street, stated that on the day in question he left home to go to work at 10 o'clock, and on returning he discovered that the suit of clothes and shoes were missing and that the gas meter was broken open. The accused man worked with witness, and had been in his room, which was a front parlour at that address. About three weeks after he missed the suit defendant told witness that he heard that there was a suit of clothes and a pair of boots in a pawn office. They went to the pawn office, where they recovered the articles.

The pawnbroker gave evidence of the pawning of the suit and shoes, but could not identify the person who had pawned them.

Mrs. Hughes, who resides in the back parlour of 98 Lower Dorset street, stated that she saw the accused man in the house between 10.30 and 11.10 o'clock on the day in question.

Detective Gordon stated that the defendant already had been charged with this offence in the Dublin District Court, but was discharged because there was no evidence, as the suit and shoes had not been recovered.

Howard elected to give sworn testimony and denied the charge.

The accused man was found "Not guilty" and discharged.

THEFT FROM DUBLIN CLUB.

TWELVE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

John McGratty, Christopher Maguire and Christopher Carroll were indicted that, on the night of September 2 last, they entered the premises of the Round Tower Club, Dublin, and stole therefrom a sum of £59 in cash, several small bottles of whiskey and a quantity of cigarettes. There was a second charge of simple robbery.

Mr. Kelly (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) prosecuted, and Mr. A. Lynn (instructed by Mr. P. H. O'Brien, solicitor) appeared for the accused Maguire.

Michael Collins, manager of the club, said that on the night of Sunday, September 1, he locked the bar at 9 o'clock. In addition to the ordinary stock that was carried by the club there was about £90 in a safe, which he had also locked.

THE STOLEN PROPERTY.

Witness went on to describe the state of the premises on his arrival there next morning and detailed the property stolen. He missed £59 in cash, about one dozen "baby" Powers and a quantity of cigarettes. Entrance had been effected by smashing the lock of a door, and then gaining admittance to the bar through two rooms. There were marks of candle grease all around the bar.

In reply to Mr. Lynn, witness said that the £90 represented the week's taking. There was about £9 in the cash register.

In reply to a juror, witness said that he had been away on holidays for a week previous, and the moneys were in two different drawers. The £40 in the lower drawer of the safe which was taken represented the money he had collected, while the other £50 in a top drawer of the safe was that collected by Mr. McGarry, who had been in charge while he was on holidays.

Bernard Cromaen, a member of the club, said that he knew McGratty as a member. He was in the club on the Sunday night, and deposed to certain suspicious incidents he observed about 2 a.m. Witness was under the influence of drink, and he slept in the club that night.

Thomas Coleman, a tram driver, stated that McGratty came to his house in Parnell street about twenty minutes past 9 o'clock on the morning of September 2nd and took him for a drink. When pressed as to where he got the money, McGratty said, "I am after doing in the club."

ARRESTED IN BIRMINGHAM.

Detective Dawson gave evidence regarding the interior of the club, which is situated in Gardiner's place. He arrested McGratty in Birmingham on October 20. When charged in the Bridewell McGratty said, "I was on the premises that night, but I know nothing about the safe being broken." When witness arrested Maguire he said, "Who is McGratty?" Carroll on arrest said; "I deny the charge."

At this stage Maguire and Carroll were, by direction of the judge, acquitted and discharged.

McGratty, on oath, categorically denied the charges against him, and made an attack on the management of the club, for which the judge held him up

The jury found McGratty guilty of simple larceny, and he was sentenced to twelve calendar months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

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account, Scallan and Co.; Warner, exam. witness, do.

In Court 2. For Tuesday, 17th December. Motion—Co.'s Act and Fermoy Co-Operative Society. For Wednesday, 18th December. Counterclaim—Fairways, Ltd. v. Associated Daimler Co. Motion—Swifte, deceased, Swifte v. O'Brien.

PROBATE.

In Court No. 3. At 11 o'clock. Exparte—In the goods of George Atkinson, deceased; Joseph Reilly, deceased; Anastasia Kelly, deceased. On Notice—In the goods of Rosanna Toole, deceased; Emily Collins, deceased.

In Court 3. At the conclusion of the Probate List. Exparte Motions. Garnishee Order—Hatte v. Byrne. Summary Summonses—Yates and Son, Ltd., v. Irish Distributors, Ltd.; Milner v. Swan. On Notice—Merrick v. Grubb; Irish American Oil Co., v. Wexford Harbour Garage; Bradfield v. Swanton and another; Evans v. Evans; Doyle v. Doyle; Londonderry Provident Building Society v. M'Kean.

In Court No. 3. For Tuesday, 17th December. At 11 o'clock. Circuit Appeals. Withdrawn Circuit Appeal—Gallagher v. Reynolds. Cork Circuit—Kelleher v. Murphy. Western Circuit—The Minister for Fisheries v. M'Namara and others. South-Western Circuit—Quaid v. Limerick Co. Council; Bowman v. Condensed Milk Co. of Ireland; O'Connor v. Barry; Hall v. Grady.

MAISTIR NA HARD-CHUIRTE.

(The Master of the High Court.)

Before the Master, at 11 o'clock. Motions of Course. Summary Summonses—Conlin v. Hodgins; Reid v. McClancy; Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Kennedy; same v. Gibson, Mina; same v. Gibson, Widiam G.; New Ireland Assurance Co., Ltd., v. O'Kelly; S. L. Acts and Dobbs; O'Connor and Sons, Ltd., v. Daly; McMurray v. Armstrong; Begley v. Begley; O'Donnell v. Callaghan; Crinion v. Lawless; the Gresham Hotel Co., Ltd., v. Dunbar. On Notice—Webb v. Foley.

OIFIG AN SCRUDORA.

(The Examiner's Office.)

Mr. Healy (Room 61), at 11 o'clock—Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Coppinger, sign cert.; E. Flannery, deceased, Mackey v. Flannery, sign cert.; G. R. Cooke, deceased, Cooke v. Cooke, sign cert.; A. Blake, deceased, Blake v. Crean, sign cert.; O'Connell v Golden.

Mr. Adderley (Room 17), at 11 o'clock—Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. McMahon; Companies Acts and Knockvicar Co-Operative Agricultural and Dairy Society, Ltd.; J. W. Burns, deceased, Macken v. Burns.

Mr. Murphy (Room 74), at 11 o'clock. Receiver's Account—William D. G. Molloy.

Mr. Greville (Room 59), at 11 o'clock—A. McRwan, deceased, Reid v. McKenzie; J. O'Connell, deceased, O'Connor v. O'Connell; W. J. Byrne, deceased, and S. A. Byrne, deceased, Byrne v. Byrne; J. Fox, deceased, Fox v. Galvin.

Mr. Clump (Room 17), at 11 o'clock—Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Fitzgerald.

OIFIG AN MHAISTIR-MHEASAIREACHTA.

(The Taxing Master's Office.)

Master Denning, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—O'Connor v. Wheelock, M. J. O'Connor and Co.; Wright v. Eagle, H. V. Ramsy White; same v. same, D. and T. Fitzgerald; same v. same, White and Meares; same v. same, William Findlater and Co.; Wolfhill Collieries, Ltd., and Companies Act, 1908, J. O'Connor and Co.; same, same.

BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar).

At 11 o'clock—Maguire, settle title and cond's., Collins and Son; arrangement, inquiry, O'Connor and Co.; Byrne, ruling on disc., C. R. W. Boyle.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

(Examiner's Chambers, at 93 Merrion square.)

Before Mr. Franks, at 11.30 o'clock—Margaret L. Mansergh-Going (S. 1325), vouch.

Before Mr. Longfield, at 11 o'clock—John Guthrie (S. 6320), settle schedule.

Before Mr. Brett, at 3 o'clock—Ollin M. McMahon-Creagh and another (S. 3177), vouch.

COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.

(At the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin.)

At 11 o'clock W. Anderson complaint, the Great Southern Railways Co; respondents; Settlement of Standard Charges, further consideration; Conditions of Carriage, further consideration.

AN CHUIRT CHUARDA.

(The Circuit Court.)

Before Judge Roche, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock. Probate—Mooney v. Long. Ejectments—O'Brien v. Murphy (for judgment); Murphy v. Collen; Wall v. Jones; Simpson v. Hitchcock; O'Farrell v. Monks; Royal Bank of Ireland v. O'Toole.

Before Judge Shannon, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—Humphreys v. Howard (for judgment); Morris v. Jenkins; McDonald v. same; Murray v. Flower and McDonald, Ltd.; Maher v. O'Brien; Kelly v. Blackrock U. D. Council; Dunphy v. Fleming.

AN CLARATHOIR CONTAE.

(The County Registrar.)

O'Brien v. Sheehan, equity.

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PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

Dublin—Large supplies Cattle all sold; Sheep big consignments, steady prices; keen inquiry for Dairy Cattle; demand for Pigs active and dearer. York—Large show Irish Stores, with fair trade for best. Birmingham—Pigs brisk and prices rising. Copenhagen—Butter 4/4½ cheaper. Rubber steady. Tin quiet.

CATTLE.

DUBLIN (Metropolitan).—Notwithstanding the several important Christmas shows of special stall-fed cattle mainly held this week, including Norfolk, Birmingham, London and, not the least, ours of yesterday, sales everywhere have apparently been satisfactorily supported. Reckoning with the 1,343 show beasts here yesterday and to-day's further regular supply bringing offerings for week well over 6,300 head, represented a heavy number of butchers' stock to handle. However, the major portion of these got successfully and satisfactorily cashed to butchers and exporters; but, all the same, it must be admitted with regard to Wednesday's sales that currencies were a solid 5s. or 6s. per cwt. below 1928 average for similar run of stall-feds. Following all these, trade showed little dimunition in strength or volume here to-day. There was a very full attendance of home buyers and exporters, and both stall-feds (of which entrants were mostly comprised) and out-fed cattle were practically all taken up. Average run of stall-feds 43s. to 45s., and occasional drafts of fancy heifers, which were looked for, figuring in 46s. to 48s. or, perhaps, 50s. zone. Well-finished out-fed beasts 40s. to 42s. 6d. or 43s., and secondary classes 37s. 6d. to 40s. The heavier number of sheep to be dealt with did not meet with much actual chance in the selling position, which opened steady at the appreciation in values previously established, but only after butchers' wants were well covered towards the half-way stage of market did a quieter feeling assert itself, but money situation not seriously affected. Ewes much improved sale. Hogget lambs and shippers' class 40s. to 50s. each, but butchers paid up to 55s., 60s. and 65s. per head for the bigger weights.

	Numbers on sale this week		Corresponding weeks of 1928.	1927
Beasts	4,997	Decrease 191	4,222	5,777
Sheep and lambs..	6,835	Increase 542	3,262	8,273
Calves	8	Decrease 4	3	14

Trade for cattle ruled more encouraging to day than what was generally anticipated, considering the substantial tappings of business in other directions, and, indeed, dealings might have been even freer only for shipping difficulties and delays arising from bad weather. Choice stallfed heifers were in demand, and drew 46s. to 48s., and in occasional fancy cases around 50s. per cwt., while general run of stallfed steers figured from 43s. to 45s. and 46s. per cwt. Best finished drafts of out-fed cattle averaged 40s. to 43s., and extra good around 44s. Secondary descriptions not so plentiful, and mostly found favour with Lancashire men at from 36s. to 38s. and 40s., according to character. Slaughter bulls sold at from 33s. to 35s., or 36s. per cwt., according to age and weight. Beef cows were a fairly good turn out, and stallfeds were quickly taken up by Northern and local buyers. Slippers rather shy in bidding. Prime young cows, 35s. to 36s., or heiferish stallfed, 37s. 6d. per cwt.; other useful grades, 27s. 6d. to 32s. 6d. per cwt.

Sheep market opened active and steady for prime qualities of mutton at the dearer level of last week, but towards mid-stage of business buying indicated a quieter or slackening disposition. Values, however, were still fairly maintained at near opening level. Choice qualities of mutton must be figuring close up to 11½d. to 12d. per lb. A few pens prime heavy sheep realised 90s. to 92s. 6d. per head; medium to good wethers, 76s. to 84s., and lighter, if fat, 65s. to 75s.; hoggets, 44s. to 56s. and 65s. each. Hogget lambs, 40s. to 52s., about shippers' price, but butchers paid 56s. to 63s. or 65s.

DUBLIN DAIRY CATTLE.—Offerings on this market embraced 339 head of dairy beasts. There was a good attendance of Northern, Scotch, English and local buyers, and a keen enquiry for prime, fresh stockers in springing or newly-calved condition, suiting respective interests, values showing a further hardening trend on milchers of more than ordinary merit of shipping types. Choice heavy-capacity middle-aged cows £27 to £31 and £32, prime young cows and heifers £24 to £27 and £28, medium good £17 to £22 10/-, small and ordinary cows £12 to £16 each.

DUBLIN PIG.—The offering of swine on market here yesterday totalled 1,113 head, an increase of just 20 on last week's supply. There was a big and business-like attendance of home and export buyers, and trade throughout was dominated by an active and dearer disposition. Small, meaty hogs, inside 4 to 7-stone weight, of porkette character, realised anywhere from 112/- to 130/- per cwt., 8-to-9-stone hogs 97/- to 102/-, or 5/- to 7/6 or 10/- per cwt. dearer on week, while heavier and coarser types proved 3/- to 5/- dearer at 85/- to 93/- and 95/- per cwt.; liveweight scale test of hogs on foot left little doubt about approximate dead-weight reckoning on basis of quotations above recorded. Sow pigs 67/6 to 75/- or 76/- per cwt. Bonhams, slips and all store pigs figuring relatively very dear.

YORK.—Another very large show of Irish store cattle for so late in the season, with good percentage high-quality beasts. Fair trade for best; others neglected, and slightly lower in price. No trade for English stores. Dairy cattle brisk, trade at slight advance. Fair offer of sheep, but very quiet trade at late rates.

BRISTOL.—A fair supply of beef sold at 90/- extra prices, 95/-. Moderate supply of mutton, 1/1 to 2/2, lamb 1/2 to 1/3. About 100 store cattle were offered, and sold at prices about unchanged. Milch cows £24 to £28, up to £34 for extra quality.

BIRMINGHAM PIG.—Supplies continue small and trade brisk, with further advances all round of at least 6d. per score. Quotations:—Sizeable lacons, 17/-; cutters, 18/- to 20/-, according to weight and quality; sows, 14/- to 14/6, and porke's 20/- to 21/- per score dead-weight.

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" " 7 "	104/-	"	"
" " 8 "	98/-	"	"
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GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC—WHEAT—Cargo market dull and featureless, prices being largely nominal in the absence of sufficient demand, despite a further decline for all descriptions. Nor 1 Northern Manitoba Pacific shipment afloat 50/10¼. No. 2 ditto 50/1¼. No. 1 hard winter first half January 47/3. No. 2 ditto 45/9, white Pacific January 47/6, shipping of shipped 45/9. December 45/9. Australian December 48/9. December 45/9. Australian December 48/9. Parcels inactive and easier. No. 1 Northern Manitoba December 51/6. No. 2 ditto 50/3. No. 3 49/3. No. 4 Manitoba December 48/3. No. 5 ditto 45/6. No. 6 38/9. No. 2 mixed Durum December 45/-. No. 2 hard winter Atlantic shipment December 46/-, ditto Gulf shipment December 46/-. Rosafe 63½ lb. December 45/-, January 45/3. Baril 63½ lb. January 44/9. February 45/-. Barusso 63½ lb. December 45/6. Australian December 48/6 per 480 lb. Futures easier. Quotations at 1 15 p.m., basis No. 3 Northern Manitoba per 480 lb.—December 48/-, January-April 48/3. March 49 3/8. MAIZE CARGOES dull of sale. Plate afloat 30/6 to 30/9; trade for English stores. Dairy cattle brisk, trade at slight advance. Fair offer of sheep, but very quiet trade at late rates.

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PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR: A quiet tone continues to prevail regarding spot goods, but no change was made in prices. Continental shipment parcels inactive and largely nominal. Terminals in fair demand at firmer prices. Of raws, January sold 6,8½ to 6,7½, March 7/2½ to 7/1½, May 8/32 to 8/2½, August 8/10½ to 8/9, December 1930 8/10½, white sold 10/- per cwt. COFFEE—Spot steady for all fine grades at firm rates, but other kinds move off slowly. COCOA—Accra quiet. F.F. January-March sold 38/- to 37/9 f.o.b. Terminal slow. January sold 44/3, March 43/9 to 43/6 and 43/9, May 44/3 per ton. Sales 100 tons. RICE market remains dull, and prices generally unaltered. SPICE—Pepper market irregular. Black Lampong October-December sold 11½d. to 11¼d., January-March 11½d. to 11¼d.; white Muntok October-December, also January-March, 1/4½ to 1/4½. Zanzibar cloves spot 11½d., October-December 9½d. per lb. TAPIOCA dull. Singapore flake to Hull November-December sellers 16/9 per cwt. HEMP—Manila inactive, but steady. J 2 December-February quoted £36, K do. £32, January-March sold £32, L 1 sellers £30, L 2, and M 1 £27 5/-, M 2 £25 per ton. COPRA dull and featureless. Straits S.D. to Rotterdam December-January, also January-February, sellers £22 12/6. Dutch East Indies December-January £22 7/6. Ceylon do. £24. PALM KERNELS December-January £17 2/6, January-March £17 5/- per ton.

RUBBER quiet, and tendency easier. Plantation standard sheet spot, also December, sold s 1-16d. to 8d. and 8 1-16d., January 8¼d., January-March 8¼d. to 8 3-16d. and 8½d., April-June 8 9-16d. to 8¾d. and 8 9-16d., July-September 8¾d. to 8 13-16d. and 8¾d., October-December buyers 9 1-16d. per lb. JUTE market easier in sympathy with lower Calcutta advices, freer offerings being moderately absorbed. Firsts to Continent December-January sold £28 and value, January-February £28 10/- to £28 5/-, February-March £28 15/-; lightings December-January sellers £26, January-February sold £26 and value. SHELLAC easier. Fair T.N. spot 150/-, December sellers 148/-, March sold 155/- to 152/6, closing 152/- sellers, May sold 157/- to 153/6. TEA—In auction 5,804 packages Java and Sumatra met an improved demand at ½d. to 1d. per lb. advance. Pekoe sold 8½d. to 11½d., broken Pekoe 7d. to 1s. 5½d., orange Pekoe 11½d. to 1/2, broken do. 7½d. to 1/8½, fine 2/1½ to 2/2, finest up to 3/4. Pekoe Souchong 8½d to 9½d. per lb. OILS—Linseed steady. Spot 45/-, December 41/3, January-April sold 39/3, May-August 37/3. Rape dull. Crude spot 42/6, refined 44/-. Cotton slow; crude Egyptian spot 29/-, common edible 34/6, deodorised 36/-. Cocoanut inactive. Ceylon spot drums 36/6, December-January 33/9, Galle do. 33/3. Turpentine dearer. American spot 43/3, January-April 44/3 per cwt. OILSEEDS—Linseed quiet, but sellers adhered to steady prices. Calcutta to London December £22 17/6, April-May £20 12/6, bold Bombay to London December £23 5/-, April-May £21 15/-. Plate to Hull December-January £19 18/9, January to May £19 3/9. Rapeseed idle. Toria to Hull-Continent December-January £18 12/6, January-February £18 5/-. Cottonseed easier. Egyptian black to Hull December £8 11/3, January £8 12/6, February £8 13/9, March £8 15/-, with white sorts at 6/3 per ton less respectively. Groundnuts weak. Coromandel machined December to February £18 7/6, February-March £18 8/9. Castor quiet. Bombay December-January £17 2/6. Soya beans dull. Manchurian January £10 8/9, February £10 10/-, March £10 11/3 per ton.

FRUIT (DRIED)—Currants market steady. Pyrgos new cron 38/- to 38/6, Amalias 39/6 to 40/6, Patras 41/- to 45/-, Golf 46/- to 53/-, Vostizza 56/- to 65/-, small ditto 53/- to 58/-. Australian 37/- to 43/-. Sultanas quiet. Smyrna medium to good 44/- to 55/-. Cretan 45/- to 80/-, Australian 35/- to 52/-. Cape bleached 36/- to 43/-. Dates quiet. New first-tide Halloulie sold 22/- to 23/-. Khadrowie 16/- to 17/-, Siar 14/- to 15/- landed terms London. Raisins (Valencia) in better demand. Quarter boxes 45/- to 48/-. Figs quiet. Layers spot 50/- to 75/-, small 110/- to 115/-, genuine 32/- to 40/-. EVAPORATED FRUITS—Market quiet and general position unaltered, business in plums being restricted by high selling limits, other Californian fruits being steady. Australian and South African varieties, however, move off to a fair demand. Plums (Californian) 20-30 75/-, 30-40 64/-, 40-50 53/-, 50-60 61/-, 60-70 54/-, 70-80 45/-, 80-90 41/-. South African new crop Royal 55/- to 117/6, Australian 67/6 to 80/-. Pears, Californian Lake County extra choice 87/6, fancy 92/6, extra choice 105/-, Australian 75/- to 85/-. Peaches, Californian choice 60/-, extra choice 65/-, fancy 67/6, extra 72/6, Australian 50/- to 60/-. Apples, Californian spot sliced extra choice 67/6 to 72/6. Almonds quiet. Marcona 115/-, Mezgedor 110/-, P. G. Sicily 125/-, Majorcas 115/- to 140/-, bitter Jordan new crop 177/6 to 194/-. Apricot kernels, Indian sweet spot 77/6. China bitter for shipment 40/6, new crop c.i.f. sweet spot 82/6, hazel kernels Krasinde spot 135/-, Barcelona 130/-, new crop French shelled walnuts quoted 145/- ex wharf London. CANNED FRUITS—General trade opened quiet, but an improved demand is anticipated in the near future; meanwhile, prices are fully steady for Californian, both spot and forward, with an absence of selling pressure. Singapore pines fail to attract attention on spot, but business forward resulted at easier prices. South African and Hawaiian held for full rates on scanty offers. Italian tomatoes in good request, and fair supplies were available.

LIVERPOOL.—CANE SUGAR steady, with sellers of basis 96 deg. pol. parcels January shipment at 8/9 per cwt. c.i.f. to U.K. COCOA—West African on spot attracts only limited notice on spot. Fine fermented Accra quoted 45/- per cwt. in bond ex store. For main crop fair fermented Accra prices favouring buyers and business reported for January-March shipment at 38/- and 37/9 f.o.b. D clause; value of December-February shipments 37/6 per cwt. COFFEE—With buyers and sellers' ideas still rather wide apart, trading restricted to selected qualities on spot, and still unsettled in forward positions. OIL CAKES—Imported descriptions still move off rather quietly but limited continue at £11 15/- for American and £11 12/6 Bombay expeller. December shipments c.i.f. River Plate, owing to scarcity of offerings nominally £12 15/- c.i.f. December shipment; Egyptian undecorticated cottonseed now at £6 5/- December shipment ex ship terms. Burma groundnut to arrive unchanged at £7 10/- 38 per cent. and £7 5/- 36 per cent. c.i.f. forward shipments. American cottonseed meals nominal at £11 for 49 per cent. and £10 36 per cent. c.i.f. December shipments, with offers very small. Liverpool made palm kernel feeding stuffs quiet, steady at £8 15/- crushed meals, £8 10/- cakes, and £8 5/- per ton sweetened crushed meals ex mills. RUBBER—Para hard fine spot 8¾d., nionslation sellers spot 8 1-16d., January-March 8¾d., April-June done 8¾d., July September buyers 8¾d. per lb.

LIVERPOOL SUGAR.—The following are Messrs. Tate and Lyle's, Ltd., quotations:—Cr. stalls—Ones 25/-, small ones 24/6, Twos 23/3, Threes 23/1½. Granulated—Standard 23/-, H.T.S. 25/4½, coarse 23/7½. Cube 23/7½. Cubes, ex refinery in London—Afternoon tea 26/6½, No. 1 26/3, H.T.S. 26/-, less 1½ per cent. discount.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.—The American futures were rather unsettled, and prices, after fluctuating, closed 3 to 4 points lower on the day. Sales 5,000, exports 100. American futures—Tendency quiet, December 9.19d., January 9.22d., February 9.24d., March 9.31d., April 9.32d., May 9.39d., June 9.38d., July 9.44d., August 9.42d., September 9.41d., October 9.38d., November 9.38d., December 9.38d. Egyptian futures—Tendency barely steady. Sakellaridis—January 13.67d., March 13.60d., May 14.07d., July 14.28d., November 14.42d., December 14.42d. Uppers—January 10.56d., March 10.56d., May 10.15d., July 10.32d., November 11.08d., December 11.03d.

BRADFORD WOOL.—Business remains exceedingly quiet, and where orders are in prospect further concessions can be negotiated. Some top-makers are prepared to make 35d. for sixty-fours average, while forties prepared can be bought at under 20d.; crossbreds are weak on the decline in primary markets. Yarns are quiet and slightly easier.

MANCHESTER HAY AND STRAW.—Weather conditions affecting deliveries. Available supplies both hay and straw in steady consumptive demand. Prices firm. Lancashire rye grass and clover £7 10/- to £8, Cheshire £6 10/- to £7, oat straw 90/-, wheat straw 85/-. Canadian mixed Timothy and clover spot around £6, ditto second half December delivery £6 10/- per ton ex quay.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

TIN STEADY.

First session—TIN—Market continues quiet, and prices further declined. On balance cash 10/- lower and forward 7/6 to 10/-. Standard cash quoted £179 7/-, to £179 7/6; three months, £182 7/6 to £182 10/-; settlement price, £179 5/-. Sales amounted to 425 tons, cash at £179 10/-, £179 5/-, and £179 7/6; three months, £182 15/-, £183 10/-, £182 7/6, and £182 10/-; English ingots quoted £179 15/- to £180 15/-. In the East 275 tons sold on the basis of £182 12/6 c.i.f. COPPER is better support, and prices firmer. On balance both cash and forward ruled 2/6 to 3/9 dearer; standards, cash, quoted £68 16/3 to £68 17/6; three months, £68 6/3 to £68 7/6; settlement price, £68 17/6; 1,000 tons changed hands; cash, £68 15/-, £68 17/6, and £68 16/3; three months, £68 5/-, £68 2/6, £68 7/6, and £68 6/3; electros, £82 to £84; wire bars, £84. LEAD firm, but generally quiet; 550 tons sold; good soft foreign pig, December, £21 6/3; February, £21 8/9; March, £21 8/9 to £21 10/-; settlement price, £21 7/6. English quoted £22 15/-. SPELTER in good demand, but rates easier on liberal offerings; 1,200 tons sold; January, £20 5/-; February, £20 8/9; March, £20 8/9 to £20 10/-; April, £20 11/3; £20 10/-, and £20 12/6; settlement price, £20. ANTIMONY steady; English Regulus, £45 to £52 10/-; China ditto, spot, £52; December-January, £29 10/-; crude ditto, £20 per ton, c.i.f.; antimony oxide, December-January, £29 5/- per ton, c.i.f.; antimony ore, December-January, 50 per cent., 4/- 60 per cent., 5/- per unit, c.i.f. WOLFRAM steady; Chinese, December-January, 34/6; Burmese ditto 33/6 per unit, c.i.f. ALUMINIUM, TIN PLATES, and QUICKSILVER unchanged. Second session—Tin steadier; 225 tons sold; cash, £179 10/- to £179 15/-; three months, £183 to £183. Copper quiet; 350 tons sold; cash, £68 12/6 to £68 17/6; three months, £68 3/9 to £68 2/6. Lead, also Spelter, unaltered.

GLASGOW IRON AND STEEL.—As is usual at this time of the year, there is not a large traffic being accepted, and market conditions are dull. There is no change in agreed quotations, except for pig iron, which, as already reported, has been advanced 2/- per ton by makers.

AVERAGE PRICES AT DUBLIN CATTLE MARKET.

Average Prices per cwt., liveweight, of fat cattle, fat sheep and fat lambs yesterday in Dublin Market:—

FAT CATTLE.

Year.	12th Dec. s. d.	5th Dec. s. d.	28th Nov. s. d.
1929	45 3	43 0	41 6
At corresponding dates in previous years.			
1928	45 6	43 3	40 0
1927	53 0	52 6	57 0
1920	84 0	86 0	80 0

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SALE THIS DAY (FRIDAY), 13TH DECEMBER, AT 12.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
WILLIAM CAULFIELD, late of 13 Cunard Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Statute 22 and 23, Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors against the estate of the said William Caulfield, Deceased, who died on the 2nd day of November, 1929, are hereby required on or before the 12th day of January, 1930, to furnish in writing particulars of such claims and demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors of the will of the said Deceased, to whom Probate of the said will was on the 9th day of December, 1929, granted, and that after the 12th day of January, 1930, the Executors will distribute the assets of the Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice shall have been given as above required.
Dated 11th day of December, 1929.
JOSEPH E. McDERMOTT, 21 Nassau street, Dublin, Solicitor for Executors.

LEGAL NOTICES.

Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, made in a Suit—
THE NATIONAL BANK, LTD., Plaintiffs;
And
FRANCIS T. KEANE, CHARLOTTE KEANE, MICHAEL DILLON, and EDWARD MONAHAN, Defendants;
All persons claiming to be Incumbrancers affecting the interests of the Defendants, or any of them, in all that and those the Dwellinghouse and Premises, with Backyard and Out-offices thereto belonging, in the Town of Ennis, Barony of Islands, and County of Clare; and also all that other Part of the said Premises situate in the Town of Ennis, aforesaid, and known as the Abbey Hotel, Church street, Ennis, all held in Fee-simple, are to enter and prove their claims at the Central Office, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on or before the 15th day of January, 1930, or, in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.
Every claimant holding any security is to produce the same to the Examiner at his Office, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on the 15th day of January, 1930, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
Dated this 4th day of December, 1929.
JOHN HEALY, Examiner.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
ANTHONY GEORGE O'KEEFFE, late of 177 Parnell street, in the City of Dublin, retired Plumber, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Cap. 54, that the above-named Anthony George O'Keeffe, who died on the 7th day of November, 1929, by his will dated the 27th day of February, 1929, bequeathed the following charitable legacies:—
To the Sister in charge of the Altar at Jervis Street Hospital, Dublin, to be expended on the Altar, £50;
and after directing payment of certain specific and other legacies, the deceased directed that the residue of his estate should be equally divided as follows:—
(1) One share to Rev. Fr. Holden, for the fund for the erection of a chapel in honour of the Little Flower in England.
(2) One share to Rev. Fr. Dowling, Dominick street, Dublin.
(3) One share to Rev. Fr. Flood, Administrator, Marlboro' street, Dublin.
(4) One share to the Franciscan Friars, Church street, Dublin. These last three shares to be applied for Masses for souls of deceased, his parents, brothers and sisters.
(5) One share to Cancer Hospital, Holles street, Dublin.
Probate of the last will was on the 2nd day of December, 1929, granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry, in the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.
Dated this 12th day of December, 1929.
JAMES FAGAN, Solicitor for said Executor, 53 Rutland square, W., Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, and to all whom it may concern.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
ELLEN FRANCES CARROLL, late of 4 Rostrevor terrace, Orwell road, Rathgar, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of 22 and 23 Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise to have any interest, claim or demand against the estate of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 27th day of May, 1929, are hereby required on or before the 11th day of January, 1930, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors, Thomas Carroll, of 58 Aledaide road, Dublin; Mary Carroll, of Sandycove avenue, County Dublin, and Anne Carroll, of Rathfarnham terrace, Dublin, to whom Probate of the Will and Codicils was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann, on the 9th day of December, 1929.
And Notice is hereby further given that on and after the said 11th day of January, 1930, the Executors will distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims of which notice and particulars shall have been furnished as hereby required.
Dated 10th day of December, 1929.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

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Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, made in a Suit
ISABEL DEATHE, Plaintiff
and
MARK D. ROCHE, Defendant.
All persons claiming to be incumbrancers affecting the interest of the Defendant in that part of the lands of Garrylough Upper, containing one rood and twenty perches, or thereabouts, and part of the lands of Garrylough Lower, containing 163 acres 2 roods and 32 perches, or thereabouts, both Statute measure, situate in the Electoral Division of Kilmalloek, Barony of Ballaghkeen South, and County of Wexford, being the lands comprised in Folio 6549 of the Land Registry, Co. Wexford, are to enter and prove their claims at the Central Office, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on or before the 15th day of January, 1930, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order. Every claimant holding any security is to produce the same to the Examiner at his office, Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on the 15th day of January, 1930, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
Dated this 2nd day of December, 1929.
JOHN HEALY, Examiner.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
VERY REVEREND BERNARD GAFFNEY, late of Virginia, in the County of Cavan, Parish Priest, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31, Victoria, Chapter 54, that abovenamed Very Reverend Bernard Gaffney, who died on the 5th day of August, 1929, by his will dated the 4th day of March, 1929, bequeathed the residue of his estate (after payment of certain testamentary legacies contained in his said will) for Masses.
And by his said will the said testator appointed Reverend Peter O'Reilly, C.C., of Virginia, aforesaid, his sole executor, and the Reverend Probate of said will was, on the 12th day of September, 1929, granted forth of the District Registry at Cavan of the High Court of Justice (Probate), Saorstat Eireann.
Dated this 4th day of December, 1929.
EDWARD J. DUFFY, B.A., Solicitor for the Executor, 2 Upper Ormond street, Dublin; and Virginia, Co. Cavan.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, and all others whom it may concern.

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Ranchi	16,600	Dec. 20	Dec. 27	Bombay & Karachi
Kashmir	16,000	Dec. 20	—	Strts. China, Japan
†Comorin	15,000	Dec. 27	Jan. 3	Colombo & A'ralia
*Macedonia	11,000	Dec. 27	Jan. 3	Strts. China, Japan
†Mera	11,000	Jan. 3	Jan. 10	Bombay & Karachi
*Nevasa	7,600	Jan. 8	—	Colombo & C'utta
*Kelvan	9,000	Jan. 9	—	Strts. China, Japan
Naldera	16,000	Jan. 10	Jan. 17	A'ralia, via B'bay
*Viceroy of India	19,700	Jan. 17	Jan. 24	Bombay & Karachi
†*Nankin	7,000	Jan. 17	—	Colombo & A'ralia
*Mongolia	16,500	Jan. 24	Jan. 30	Colombo & C'utta
*Rawalpindi	16,600	Jan. 24	Feb. 1	Bombay & Karachi
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Modasa	9,070	Dec. 14	Dec. 20	East African Ports
Morvada	8,231	Dec. 21	Dec. 28	Madras & Calcutta
*Warfield	6,066	Dec. 24	Jan. 4	Bombay & Karachi
Manora	7,929	Jan. 4	Jan. 11	Madras & Calcutta
Nadum	9,077	Jan. 11	Jan. 18	East African Ports
*Shatimura	6,666	Jan. 16	Jan. 25	Bombay & Karachi
Mulbera	9,100	Jan. 18	Jan. 25	Madras & Calcutta
*Mandalay	9,067	Feb. 8	Feb. 14	East African Ports
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